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特務エスパー3人娘・“ザ・チルドレン”！

犯罪組織“黒い幽霊”との死闘は、さらにヒートアップ!!

強い洗脳を施された第二の刺客が送り込まれた——

戦いの中でさらに深まる3人の絆… 熱さ満載の第12集。

ほんわかエピソード“ランチをめぐる冒険”も収録♥

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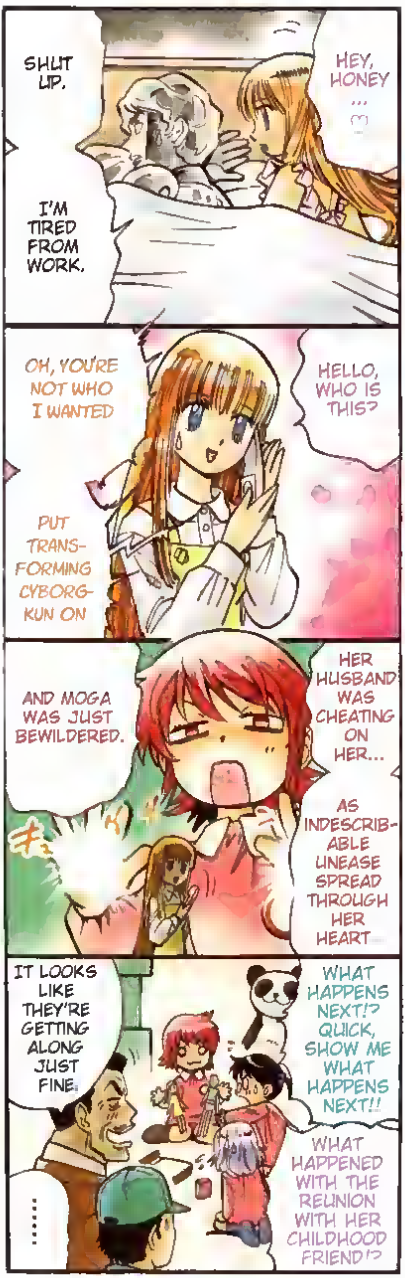
HEY, HONEY ... ♡
SHUT UP.
I'M TIRED FROM WORK.
HELLO, WHO IS THIS?
OH, YOU'RE NOT WHO I WANTED
PUT TRANS-FORMING CYBORG-KUN ON
HER HUSBAND WAS CHEATING ON HER...
AS INDESCRIB-ABLE UNEASE SPREAD THROUGH HER HEART...
AND MOGA WAS JUST BEWILDERED.
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT!? QUICK, SHOW ME WHAT HAPPENS NEXT!!
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE GETTING ALONG JUST FINE.
WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE REUNION WITH HER CHILDHOOD FRIEND!?
.....

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★前巻までのあらすじ★

エスパーが、あらゆる分野で増え続ける21世紀――

「超度7」の最強特務エスパー・薫、葵、紫穂の3人娘は「ザ・チルドレン」として活躍中！

皆本光一は、超オマセでじゃじゃ馬な彼女たちの育成係として、日々奮闘しているのだが…

来日する某国の大統領の命を狙う犯罪組織「黒い幽霊（ブラック・ファントム）」の暗殺者！

その警備の任務につくチルドレンであったが、暗殺者の前に現れたのは大統領に化けた兵部!!

チルドレンに汚い仕事をさせたくない兵部は、自らの手で「黒い幽霊（ブラック・ファントム）」を始末しようとするのだが…!?

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Black Phantom (5)

1th sense. (センス)

ブラック・ファントム 黒い幽霊(5)

YOU'RE NOT THAT DIFFERENT FROM ME...!!
YOU...
AND YET!!
A KID...!?
IF I HELP, SURELY ...!!
CAN'T WE DO SOME-THING, KYOU-SUKE!?
GET BACK!!
NO.
3
!!
NOT EVEN I COULD REMOVE HIS BRAIN-WASHING.
THE ONLY WAY LEFT FOR HIM TO BE SAVED...

IS FOR HIM TO DIE!!
KYOUSUKE!!
STOP!!
I'M GOING TO LET YOU NEAR ME AGAIN!!
FOOLS!!
DO YOU THINK...

Below : Flying Ballistic Barrier...!!

HE'S REFLECTING THEM WITH PSYCHO-KINESIS ...!?
NO, WITH HIS POWERS CONTROLLING THIS MANY BULLETS IS IMPOSSIBLE!
!!
THAT'S RIGHT, THE ONLY BLIND SPOT IS DIRECTLY AROUND ME.
BUT...

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FROM YOUR PREVIOUS EYE MOVEMENT, I CAN TELL TO A CERTAIN EXTENT WHERE YOU'LL APPEAR.
THERE IS A QUICK "OPENING" AFTER TELE-PORTATION IS ACTIVATED.

KYO...!!
!?
ボウ...
I WON'T BE CAUGHT WITH THE SAME TRICK TWICE.
THAT WAS AN ILLU-SION.
HEE HEE HEE

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE UP AGAINST?
YOU'RE TOO NAIVE!
KH...!!

IT'S OVER.
NOW YOU CAN REST.

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KILL HIM!!
DON'T...

GH!?
I WON'T LET YOU...
DO THAT!!
IDIOT...
HOW COULD YOU DO THIS...?

IF WE DON'T DO THIS, HE'LL CONTINUE KILLING ESPERS AS HE WAS ORDERED...
THERE'S NOTHING ELSE WE CAN DO!!
...YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND!!
I DON'T CARE!!
DAAH!!
SO...
AND I'M SURE YOU WILL IN THE FUTURE, TOO!
YOU'VE SAVED ME SO MANY TIMES...!!

EH?
THAT BLEEDING LOOKS SERIOUS.
UM, ISN'T KYOUSUKE GONNA DIE?
.....
DO SOME-THING ABOUT THIS...!!
TODAY, I'LL...

!!
KAORU!!
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I'LL SHOW YOU MY APPRE-CIATION WITH THESE!
HA HA HA HA HA!!
YOU SAVED ME, LITTLE GIRL!!
TASTE THEM AND DIE!!

WHY YOU...!!

!!

IT'S NO USE.
YOU SEEM TO BE A PRETTY HIGH LEVEL...
BUT YOU CAN'T OVERPOWER MY CONTROL OF THE LEAD.
THE MORE YOU RESIST, THE LONGER YOU'LL BE IN PAIN.

!!

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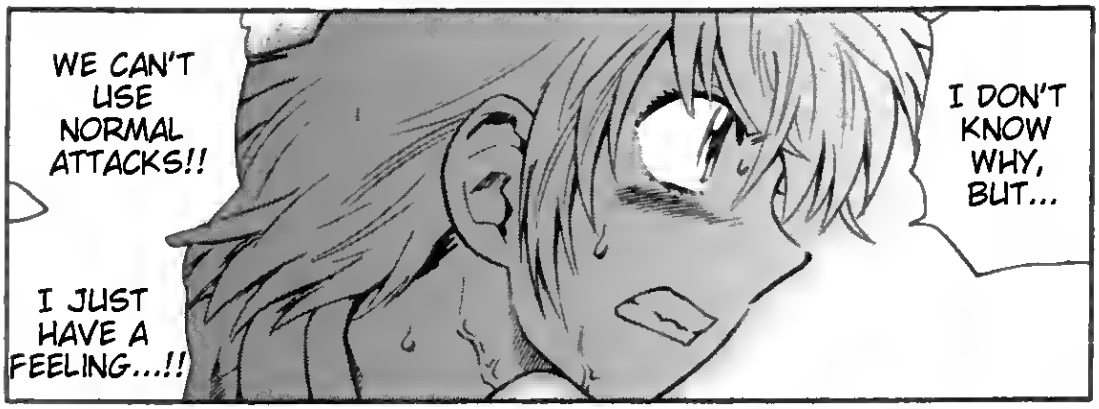
!?
STOP, MOMO-TAROU!!
WHY!?
YOU BASTARD!!


WE CAN'T USE NORMAL ATTACKS!!
I JUST HAVE A FEELING...!!
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT...

CAN SHE FEEL THE HYPNO POWER !?
.....!

SHE CAN TELL THAT THE POWER HOLDING HIM...
GETS STRONGER THE MORE YOU ATTACK HIM...!!

"BLACK PHANTOM" MUST HAVE STARTED WITH TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE WEAK-NESSES IN HIS HEART.
HYPNO IS ONLY HALF AS EFFECTIVE WHEN IT GOES AGAINST THE WILL OF THE PERSON IT'S AFFECTING.
IN HIS CASE IT WAS PROBABLY ...

!
...IT WAS "HATRED".
THE HYPNO USER USED HIS STRONG HATRED.
SHIHO!!
I CAN FAINTLY FEEL IT.
A SMALL VILLAGE ...
IN SOME FOREIGN COUNTRY.
YOU'RE HOME TOWN, RIGHT?
.....!!

WE DON'T WANT ESPERS IN THIS VILLAGE...!!
LEAVE, YOU MONSTER!!
HE WAS ATTACKING MY MOM!!
HE WAS A ROBBER!!
NO!
MURDERER!!
THAT I HAD...
AND...I DIDN'T KNOW!!

I-I...
THIS KIND OF POWER...

DON'T TOUCH ME!!
AUSTRIA
!?
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING. ♡
AOI...!!

...WE WON'T DO AS YOU SAY!!
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE US.
AFTER I WENT TO ALL THAT TROUBLE ...
THAT IDIOT BROUGHT THEM ALL HERE...!
B.A.B.E.L. WANTS SOME MORE CORPSES!!
IT LOOKS LIKE...
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ROGER !!
GO!!
STOP HIM, "CHILDREN"!!

Black Phantom (6)

2nd sense. (セカンド・センス)

黒い幽霊(6) (ブラック・ファントム)

YOU WERE TOO SLOW IN SEALING MY GUNS!!
THERE ARE ALREADY PLENTY OF BULLETS SPREAD AROUND THE AREA!!
DON'T THINK YOU CAN WIN JUST BECAUSE THERE ARE MORE OF YOU!!

STOP THEM, MINA-MOTO!!
WASN'T THE B.A.B.E.L. ESPER DEFENSE TEAM TAKEN OUT WITH ONLY TWO SHOTS!?
.....!!

"THE CHILDREN" IS MY TEAM!!
YOU STAY OVER THERE...!!

.....
DON'T GET SO FULL OF YOURSELF ...!!
I'LL MAKE UP FOR THEIR INEXPERIENCE!
THOSE THREE CAN DO THINGS THAT NO OTHER ESPER CAN...

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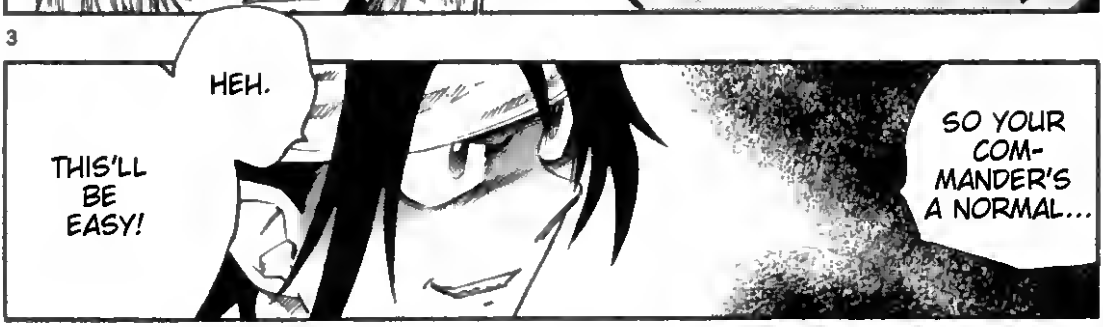

HEH.
THIS'LL BE EASY!
SO YOUR COM-MANDER'S A NORMAL...

THAT WON'T WORK. ♡
MY SPACIAL RECOGNITION ...
LETS ME SEE EVEN THE BULLETS COMING FROM MY BLIND SPOTS!!

BUT HE SHOULD BE EXPECTING THAT, SO...
WHEN YOU FIND THE ENEMY, DEFEND AGAINST HIS BULLETS WHILE BRINGING IT INTO CLOSE-QUARTERS
WE HAVE TO DO IT NOW.
EH?
THERE'S SOMETHING BETTER YOU CAN USE.
IF YOU'RE GONNA MAKE A SHIELD ...
KAORU-CHAN,
OH!!
.....!!
!!

KH!
SHE'S USING ME AS A SHIELD!!
GO, KAORU-CHAN!!
GOT HIM!!

HEH.
.....!!
OKAY!!

KY-AAHN!!
GAH!!
DEH!?
KAORU AND SHIHO'S LEVELS HAVE DROPPED!
AOI CAN'T TELE-PORT!!
!!
THOSE BLOWS SCREWED UP THEIR PSYCHIC WAVES!
TH-THIS GUY...!!
HE CAN MOVE MORE THAN JUST BULLETS!?
TCH!
IF YOU ONLY WATCH OUT FOR ONE RULE, YOU GET OPENINGS LIKE THAT!!
AN ESPER BATTLE IS A FIGHT BETWEEN PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENT RULES!!

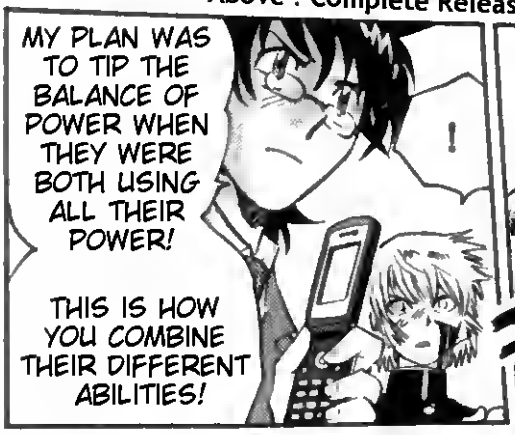
WE'RE SURROUNDED, KAORU-CHAN!!
!!
KH...!!
YOU'RE CONCENTRATING ALL YOUR POWER ON DEFENSE ...!!
BUT, UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, I'VE GOT SOME EXTRA POWER I CAN USE!

!!!
STO... WAIT...
STOOOP IIIIT!!
QUIT DOING WHAT THE HYPNOSIS TELLS YOU TO!!
AND RIGHT NOW YOU CAN'T STOP A BULLET AT POINT-BLANK RANGE.
...I SMELLED THE LOVELY SMELL OF LEAD ON THAT GIRL.
WE WANT TO HELP YOU!!

WAIT!!
!!
I TOLD YOU THEY COULDN'T DO IT!!

"THE CHILDREN"...
I WAS WAITING FOR YOU TO HAVE ALL YOUR POWERS TIED UP IN SOMETHING!!
TRIPLE BOOST!!
!!!

Above : Complete Release!!


MY PLAN WAS TO TIP THE BALANCE OF POWER WHEN THEY WERE BOTH USING ALL THEIR POWER!
THIS IS HOW YOU COMBINE THEIR DIFFERENT ABILITIES!
!

GH...
...IT'S NO USE.
HE'S STILL FIGHTING BACK.
HE'S KILLING THE POWER WITH HIS PSYCHO-KINESIS.
THE BOOST'S LIMIT IS ONLY A COUPLE MORE SECONDS ...
ANY MORE WOULD BE DANGEROUS FOR THEM...!!

I ABSO-LUTELY WON'T!!
I WON'T ...
WHAT ...!!
LET YOU DO THIS ANY-MORE!!

IS IT SOME KIND OF SYNTHETIC POWER...!?
...!?
WHAT ARE THOSE WINGS?
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
SHE'S PRODUCING STRANGE PSYCHIC WAVES THAT THE BOOST DEVICE ISN'T MEANT TO PRODUCE ...!
THE CHILDREN
BOOST
accelerator mode
emer-165

WHAT IS THIS LIGHT!?
S-STOP...!
WAIT...!?
KAORU ...!!
MY POWER'S BEING SUCKED OUT TO THE LAST DROP!?
WHAT IS THIS ...!?

FORCE OF ABSO-LUTION!!
PSYCHIC
A...
AAAAAH!!
UH...

AH!!
.....!!
17
WH-WHERE AM I!?
.....!!
SHE REMOVED BRAIN-WASHING THAT STRONG WITHOUT KILLING HIM...!?
THE HYPNO WRAPPED AROUND HIM WAS DESTROYED ...?
WHAT... AM I DOING HERE...!?

IT...
"BOOST DEVICE", HUH...!?
SHE'S LOST CONSCIOUSNESS!?
.....
WAH...
K-KAORU!?
FORCES OUT HER TRUE POWERS AS "THE QUEEN OF ESPERS".
TELEPORT HER GENTLY TO THE GROUND...!!

!?
A WONDERFUL JOB, MINAMOTO!
HEH...
HEH, HEH, HEH...!!

THAT IS HER TRUE FORM.
TO LEAD AND PROTECT ESPERS...
SHE WASN'T JUST TAKING IN HER COMPANIONS' POWER...
SHE TRULY SYNTHESIZED A NEW POWER.
YOU SAW THAT, RIGHT?
WITH ONE ATTACK, SHE REMOVED THE BRAINWASHING I COULDN'T DESTROY.

I'M SURE YOU KNOW.
WH-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
AND YOU, A NORMAL, HAVE AIDED IN CREATING HER.
SHE IS THE SAVIOR OF ESPERS.

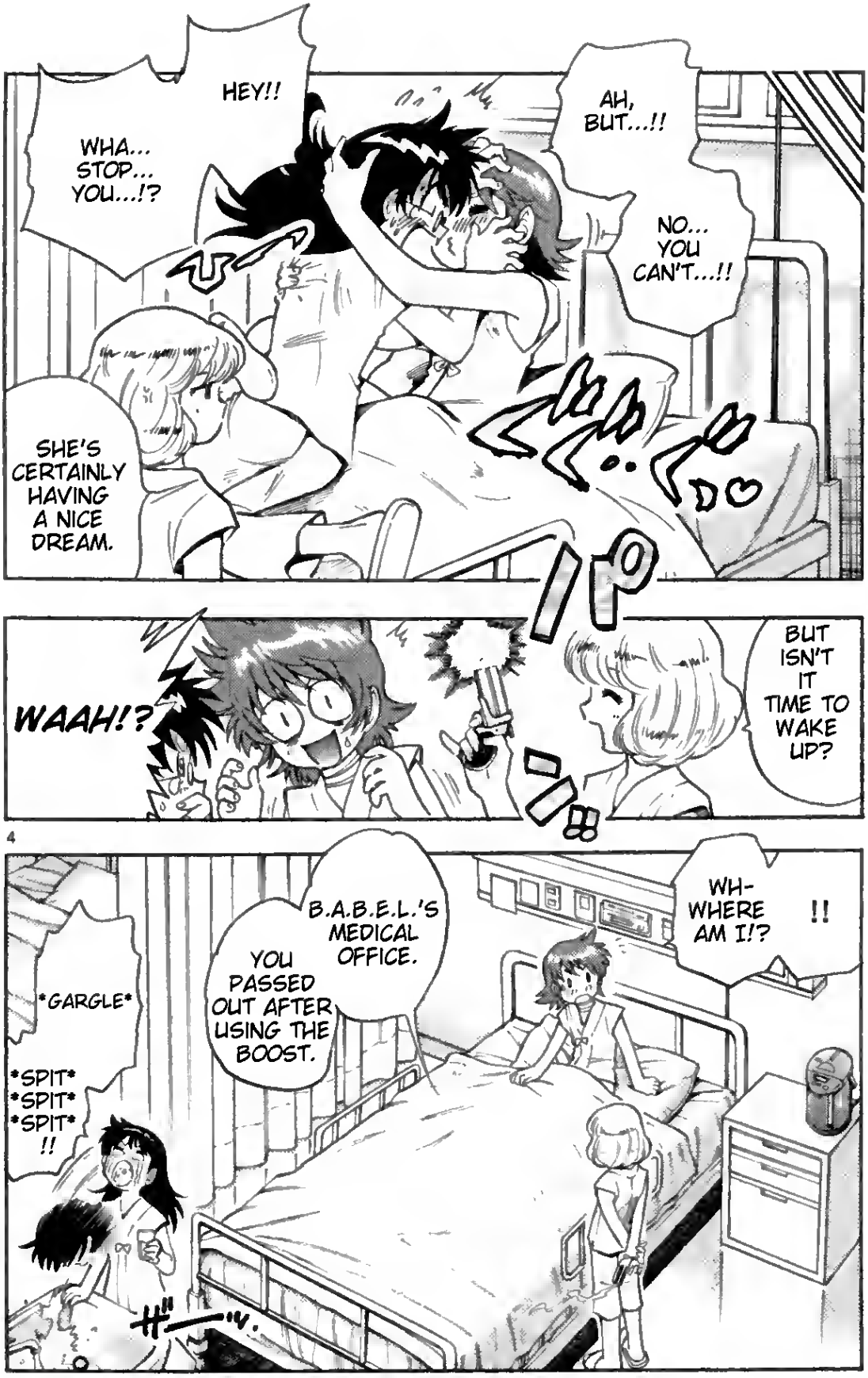
AND YOU HAVE BEEN THE WHOLE TIME.

Be My Friend (1)

3rd sense. ビー・マイ・フレンド(1)

NN...
KAORU...
ARE YOU AWAKE?
2
!
MINA-MOTO ...!!
YOU DID A GOOD JOB...!!
EVERY-ONE'S OKAY THANKS TO YOU.

SORRY FOR TREATING YOU LIKE A KID.
REWARD YOU...AS AN ADULT.
I HAVE TO REWARD YOU FOR COM-PLETING THE MISSION.
WAIT...
EH?
WH-WHAT'S THIS ALL OF A SUDDEN ...
I WAS JUST...
Y-YOU CAN'T, MINA-MOTO ...


HEY!!
WHA... STOP... YOU...!?
AH, BUT...!!
NO... YOU CAN'T...!!
SHE'S CERTAINLY HAVING A NICE DREAM.
WAAH!?
BUT ISN'T IT TIME TO WAKE UP?
4
GARGLE
SPIT *SPIT* *SPIT* !!
YOU PASSED OUT AFTER USING THE BOOST.
B.A.B.E.L.'S MEDICAL OFFICE.
WH-WHERE AM I!? !!

AH...
THAT'S RIGHT!!
WHAT HAP-PENED AFTER THAT!?
SHE IS THE SAVIOR OF ESPERS.
AND YOU, A NORMAL, HAVE AIDED IN CREATING HER.
AND YOU HAVE BEEN THE WHOLE TIME.

MINA-
MOTO-
HAN!!
HEY,
I
HAVE
...?
WHAT
ARE
YOU
...?
WHY
ARE YOU
LOOKING
AWAY!?
DID YOU
FORGET
THAT WE
GET WEAK
AFTER
USING
THE
BOOST!?
DAAH!!

...
SHE'S
FINE.
SHE'S
JUST
UNCON-
SCIOUS.
H-
HOW'S
KAORU!?

WHERE AM I ...!?
...OKAY.
...YEAH.
IS HYOUBU STILL THERE?
AOI!
CHECK THE SPACE BEHIND US WITHOUT TURNING AROUND ...!!
IT'S AN ACTUAL BODY NOT AN ILLUSION ...
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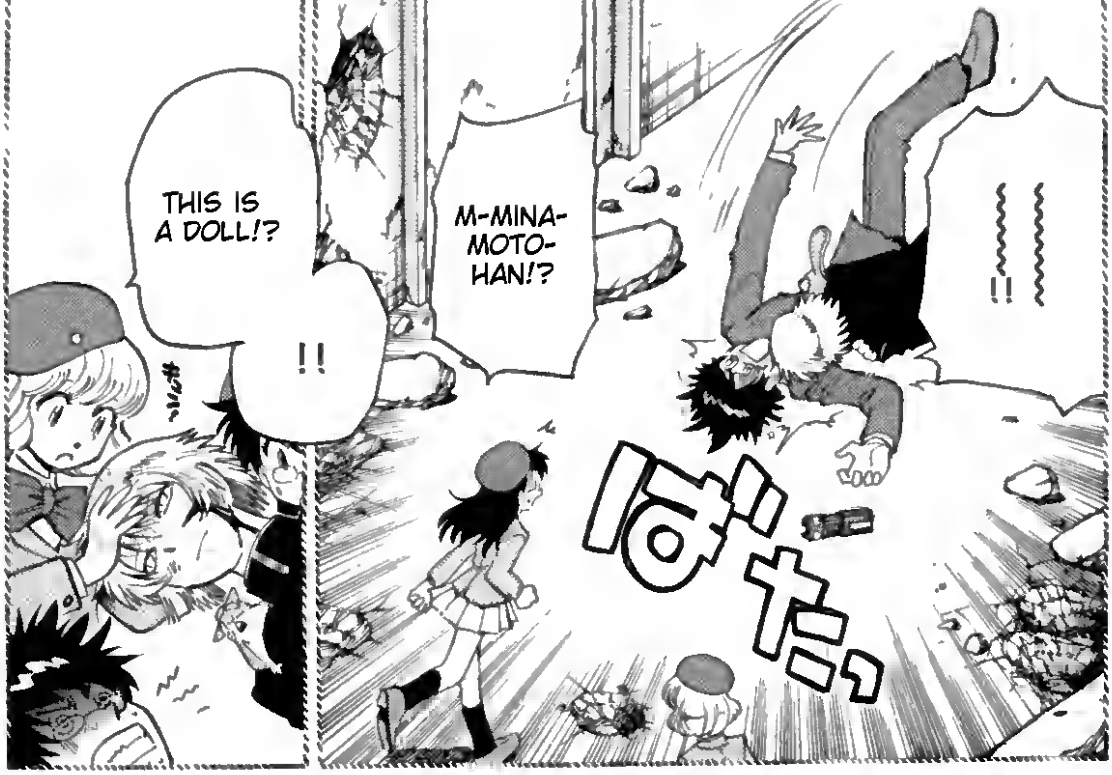
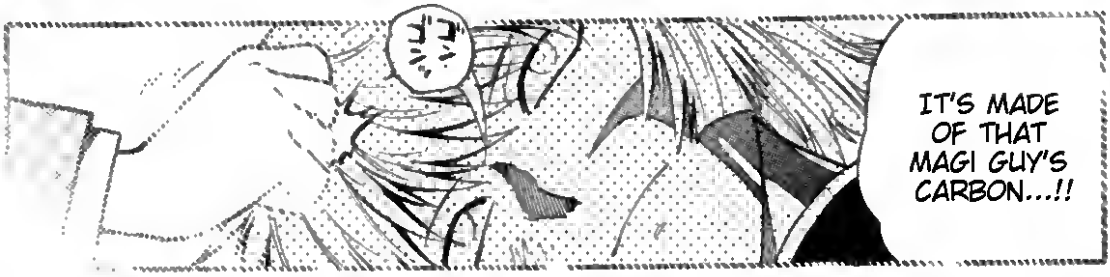
...ROGER.
SHIHO! GIVE ME YOUR HAND ...
...WE CAN TALK IN DETAIL LATER, HYOUBU!
FOR NOW...

THIS MISSION WILL BE OVER!!
IF I CAN CAPTURE YOU...
NNA-AAH!?
!?


THIS IS A DOLL!?
!!
M-MINA-MOTO-HAN!?
ばたっ
!!!!!!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IT'S MADE OF THAT MAGI GUY'S CARBON...!!

IT'S NOT JUST ON THE OUTSIDE.
YOU'RE ALL BEAT UP.
WHY DID YOU GO THAT FAR...?
... GEEZ.
YOU'RE TOO SOFT ON KIDS!!
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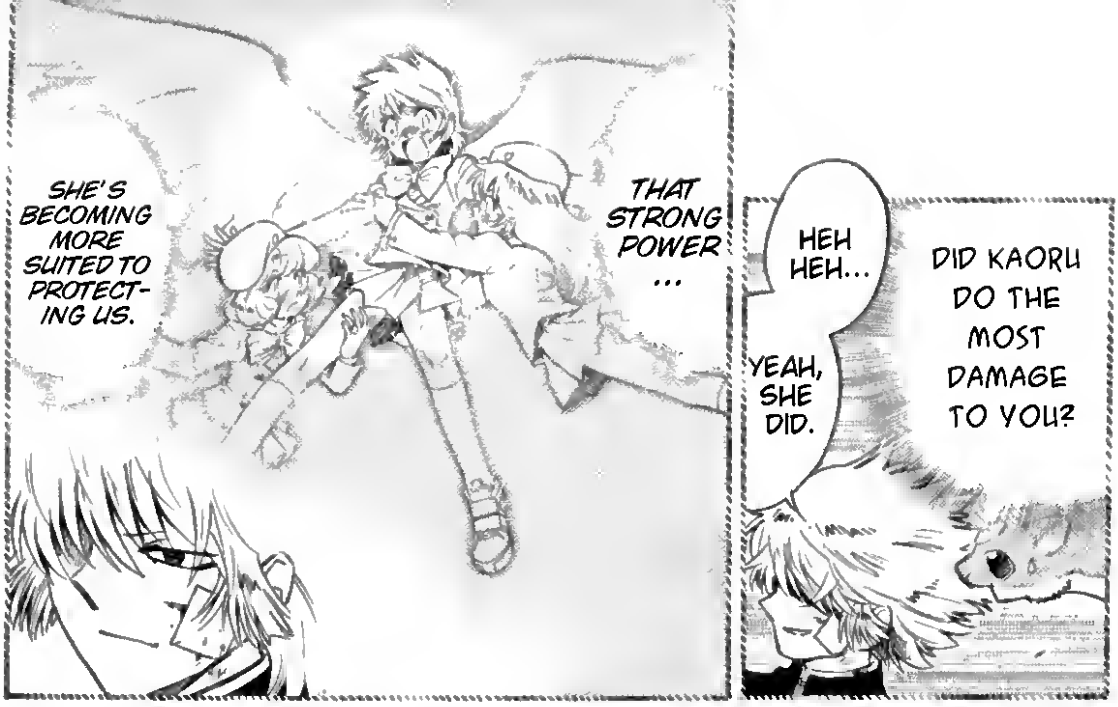
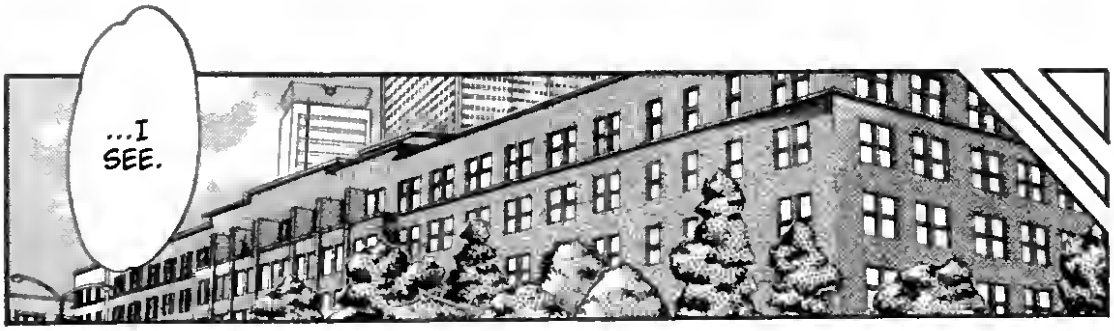
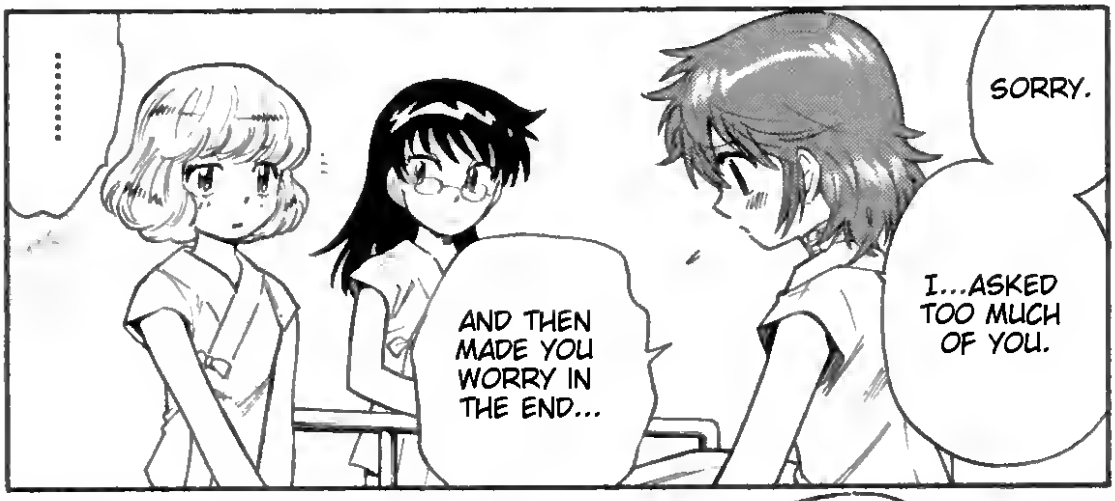
ドルルルル

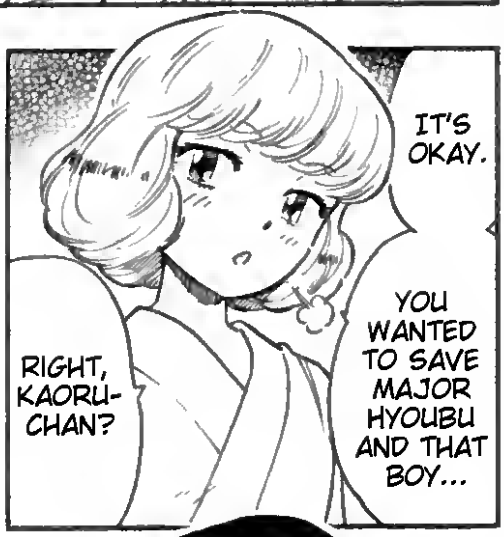

SHE'S BECOMING MORE SUITED TO PROTECTING US.
THAT STRONG POWER ...
HEH HEH...
YEAH, SHE DID.
DID KAORU DO THE MOST DAMAGE TO YOU?

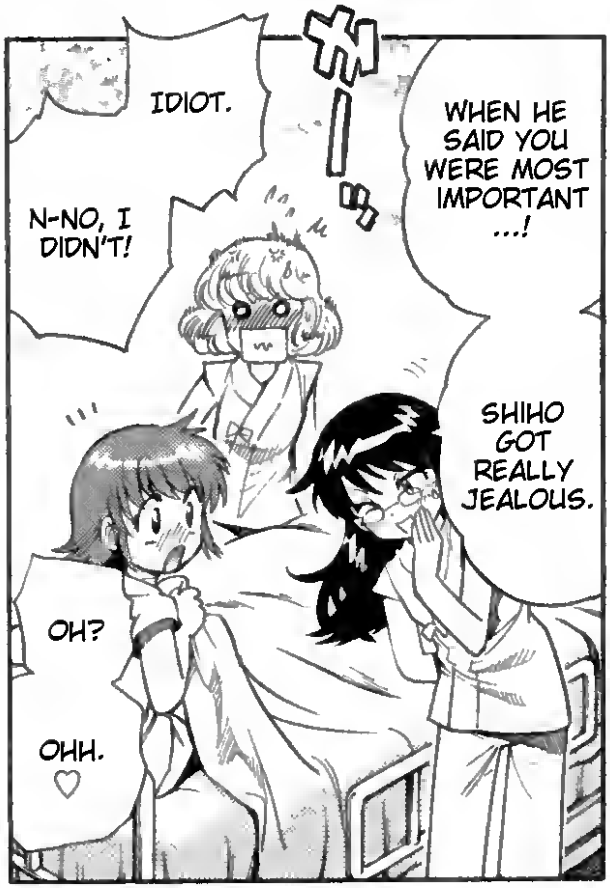
THEY WON'T JUST IGNORE IT...
THAT POWER IS A MAJOR THREAT TO "BLACK PHANTOM"...!!

THAT'S NOT NECESSARY.
A TEST IS SOMETHING ONE MUST OVERCOME ONESELF AND GAIN SOMETHING FROM IT.
WE NEED TO STRENGTHEN OUR SUPPORT OF THEM ...
ALL THIS DID WAS MAKE THINGS MORE DANGEROUS FOR THOSE GIRLS.
NO.


...I SEE.


SORRY.
I...ASKED TOO MUCH OF YOU.
AND THEN MADE YOU WORRY IN THE END...


IT'S OKAY.
YOU WANTED TO SAVE MAJOR HYOUBU AND THAT BOY...
RIGHT, KAORU-CHAN?


IDIOT.
N-NO, I DIDN'T!
WHEN HE SAID YOU WERE MOST IMPORTANT ...!
SHIHO GOT REALLY JEALOUS.
OH?
OHH.

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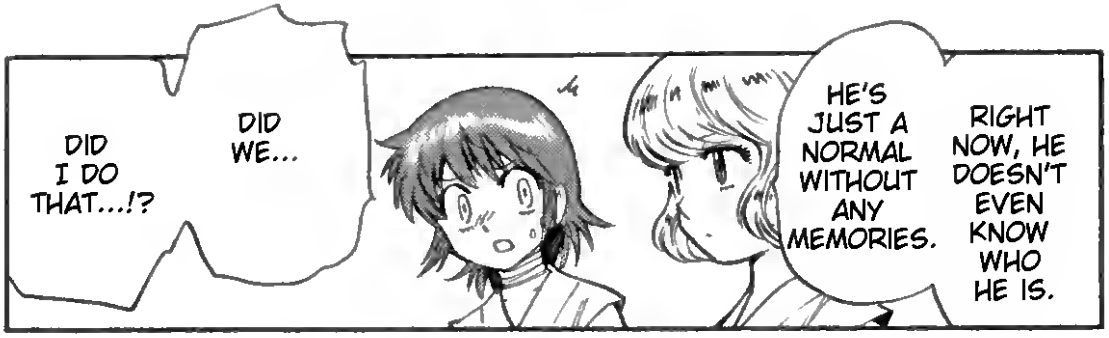
THAT'S RIGHT.
ALL ESPERS ARE OUR COMRADES.
BUT...

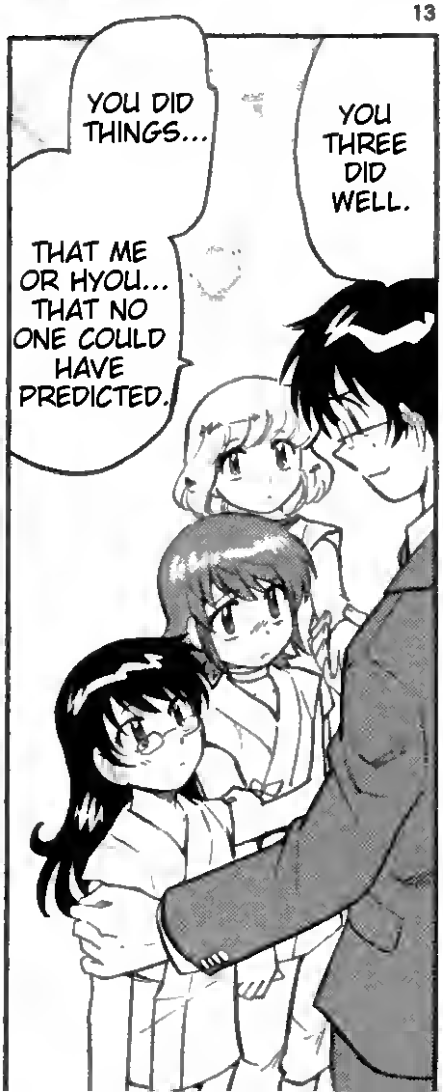
KAORU WOKE UP. ♡
!
OH, THAT'S GOOD ...!!
YOU DID A GOOD JOB...!!

I CAN'T EVEN FIND ANY CLUES WITH MY POWERS.
HE LOST HIS POWERS AND ALL MEMORY OF HIS PAST.
AS SOON AS THE BRAIN-WASHING WAS REMOVED ...
HOW IS "HE"?
EH HEH HEH ...
HE ONLY HAS MINOR WOUNDS AND IS CURRENTLY SEDATED.
EH!?
HE STILL HASN'T REMEM-BERED ANY-THING?
SO ...


DID I DO THAT...!?
DID WE...
HE'S JUST A NORMAL WITHOUT ANY MEMORIES.
RIGHT NOW, HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW WHO HE IS.

THAT WAY IF HIS BRAINWASHING IS REMOVED THE ENEMY CAN'T GET ANY INFORMATION OR USE HIS POWERS.
NO, MOST LIKELY ...
IT WAS SET UP THAT WAY FROM THE BEGINNING.

"BLACK PHANTOM" MAY HAVE TAKEN HIS PAST...
THANKS TO THAT, HE'S STILL ALIVE.
BUT HE STILL HAS HIS FUTURE.


YOU DID THINGS...
YOU THREE DID WELL.
THAT ME OR HYOU... THAT NO ONE COULD HAVE PREDICTED.

THANK YOU.
YOU REALLY DID WELL.
YOU THREE ARE THE BEST ESPERS.
EH HEH HEH...
.....

.....

ABOUT WHAT!?
WHAT'S THIS!?
YEAH!!
DID MINAMOTO-KUN CHANGE HIS MIND!?
NO, I DIDN'T!!
HE CALLED US THE "BEST WOMEN"!!

MINA-MOTO
WAH!?
AH, NO FAIR! ME, TOO!!
GIVE ME A CONGRAT-ULATORY KISS!!
AH, ME, TOO.
OH, MY.
WAIT!? HEY!!

SORRY...
I WAS TOO LATE TO HELP.
HELPING THE ESPERS WHO WERE SHOT HAD PRIORITY.
I DIDN'T HAVE A CHOICE.
AND YOU WEREN'T ALONE, MINAMOTO-KUN.
I KNEW IF HYOUBU WAS THERE, HE WOULD PROTECT YOU.
HE'S GROWN FOND OF YOU AND "THE CHILDREN".
AND I ALMOST MANAGED TO CAPTURE HIM!
DON'T RELY ON THE ENEMY!!
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...YOU WERE LATE BECAUSE OF YOUR MAKE-UP!!
FROM NOW ON GO TO BED WITH YOUR MAKE-UP ON!
DON'T BE AN IDIOT!!
WHAT DOES SOMEONE LIKE YOU KNOW ABOUT SKIN CARE!?
NOW, NOW.
WELL, THANKS TO HER, 4 ESPERS' LIVES WERE SAVED.

...BUT THE FIRST TWO DIED INSTANTLY AND THERE WAS NOTHING WE COULD DO.
YEAH.
I-IS THAT TRUE!?
THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME ANYONE'S SURVIVED AFTER FIGHTING WITH "BLACK PHANTOM".
BUT...
YOU ALL DID QUITE WELL.
WE COULDN'T SAVE ALL OF THEM...
...I SEE.

YES.
I'LL LOOK INTO IT WITH ALL MY ABILITY.
ABOUT THE BOOST DEVICE.
YOU TWO ...
...WE CAN'T DO THAT.
THEY'RE THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN REMOVE BLACK PHANTOM'S BRAIN-WASHING.
IT WAS HARD FOR YOU WASN'T IT!!
I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY!!
I WON'T MAKE YOU DO ANYMORE DANGEROUS MISSIONS!!

I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING BEFORE THE SAME THING HAPPENS AGAIN!!
IT'S A DEVICE I CREATED ...!!
AND YOU, A NORMAL, HAVE AIDED IN CREATING THE "QUEEN".

Comerican Army Garrison
NO THROUGH ROAD
COMERICAN DEFENCE FACILITY
PROHIBITED AREA
TURN AROUND NOW
Central America

"HAVE FUN."
"YOU'RE NEXT PLAYGROUND IS JAPAN"
HEH HEH...
JAPAN ...!!

MESSAGE: FROM: BLACK PHANTOM
BLACK PHANTOM

"RING"
OH.
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THERE ARE A LOT OF FUN TOYS THERE.
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO GO THERE...!!

4 th sense. Be My Friend (Z)

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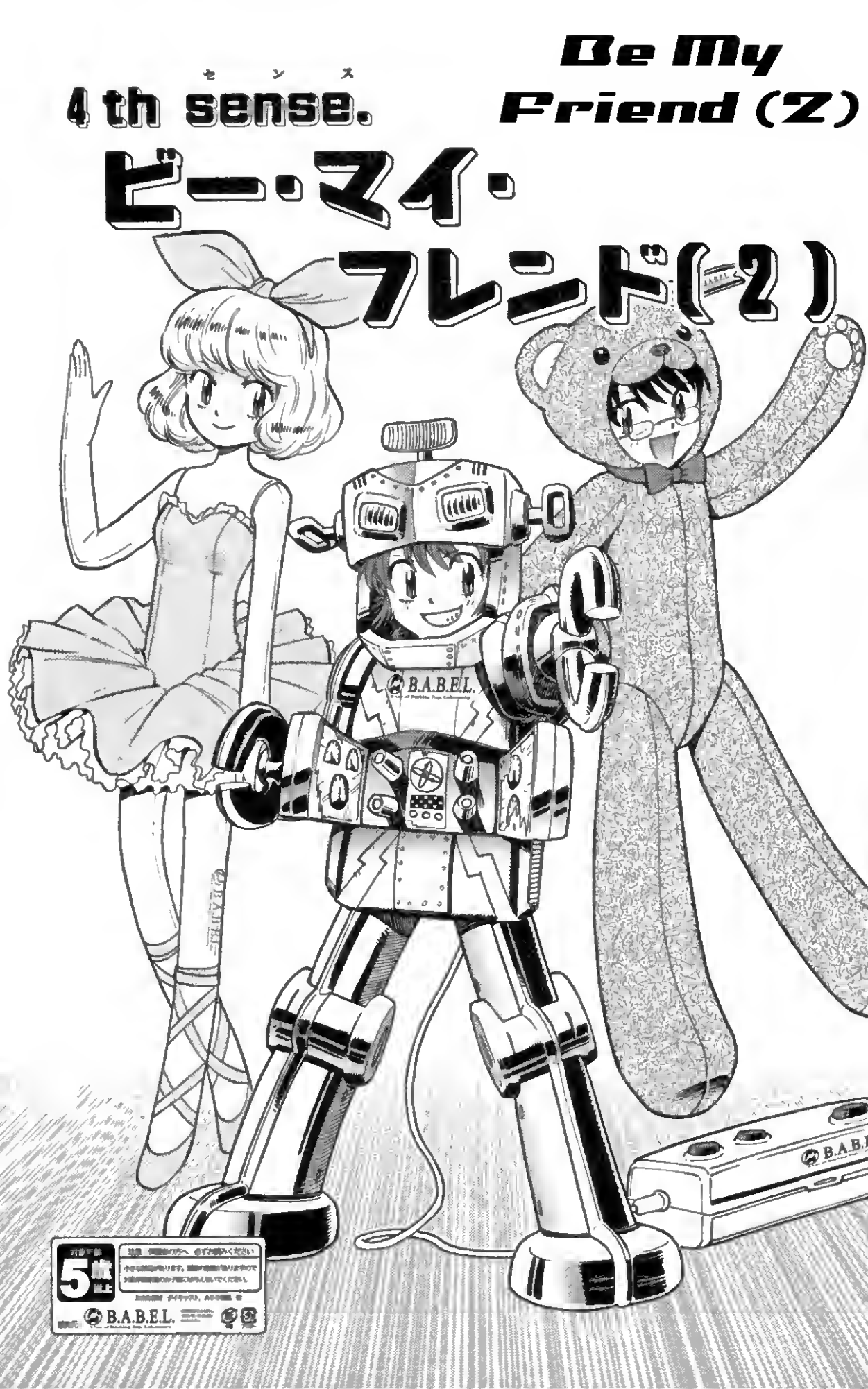

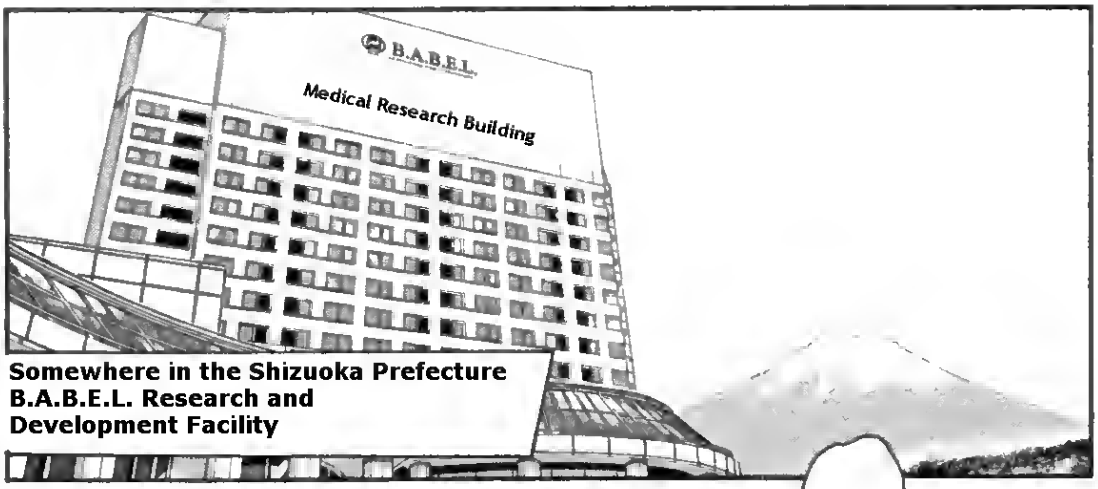
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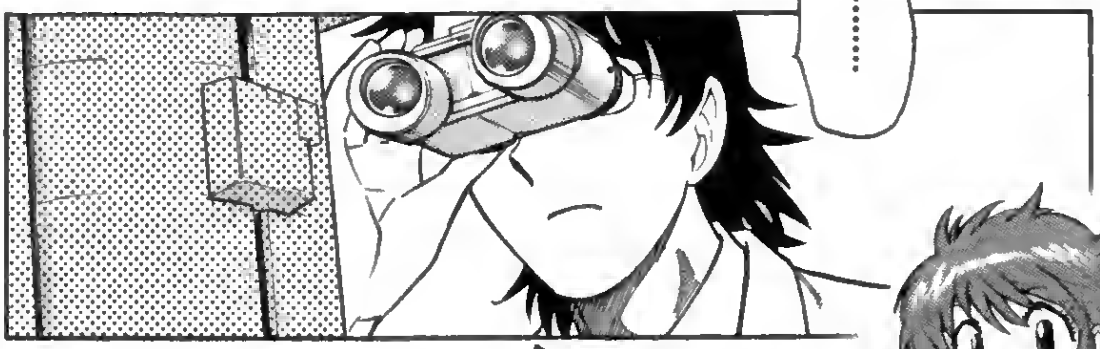
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DWAAH!!
HAVE YOU FIGURED ANYTHING OUT!?
IS THIS WHERE YOU'VE BEEN?
MINAMOTO!!
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THIS LIMITER DOESN'T FIT RIGHT...
WHICH IS WEIRD BECAUSE IT'S THE ONE I USED BEFORE.
MY EYEEES!!
MY EYEE-EEEEES!!
AH, SORRY!
BUT WE CAN BE TOGETHER UNTIL I CAN HAVE IT BACK, RIGHT?
YOU'RE NORMAL ONE THAT'S MIGHT BE BECAUSE DANGEROUS, YOU'VE SO WE HAD GROWN. NO CHOICE.
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DO YOU WANT ME TO TELL SHIHO-CHAN AND AOI-CHAN?
IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO SAY THAT?
TCH.
DOCTOR SAKAKI.
JUST THE TWO OF US. ♡

THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH KAORU-CHAN'S BODY.
IT LOOKS LIKE THAT SYNTHESIZED POWER IS NO MORE TAXING ON HER BODY THAN THE NORMAL BOOST.
HOW ABOUT YOU?
HAVE YOU FOUND ANYTHING STRANGE ABOUT THE LIMITER?
...I'M NOT REALLY SURE.
WHEN YOU LOOK AT IT WITH AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE ...
THE CENTRAL PART HAS THE CRYSTALLINE STRUCTURE OF RARE METAL QUARTZ.
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN THIS KIND OF STRUCT-URE.
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AND THAT RESULTED IN IT HAVING A MUCH GREATER RESPONSE THAN IT WAS DESIGNED TO.
MOST LIKELY ...
THEIR PSYCHIC WAVES FROM THAT TIME HAD SOME KIND OF EFFECT ON IT.

..MORE OR LESS.
?
ISN'T THAT A GOOD THING?
IT WOULDN'T WORK WITHOUT THEM.
BUT...
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THE BOOSTER I DEVELOPED WAS MADE TO MATCH THE LEVEL 7 POWERS OF "THE CHILDREN".
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BUT ISN'T THAT REALLY DANGER-OUS?
THAT'S AMAZING.
!!
WITH THIS NEW CRYSTALLI-ZATION, IT MIGHT WORK WITH OTHER ESPERS.
OKAY.
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YEAH.
DON'T TELL ANYONE ELSE ABOUT THIS.

JUST TO BE ON THE SAFE SIDE, I'M PUTTING YOUR LIMITER BACK TO THE NORMAL CRYSTALLI-ZATION.
THE INCREASE IN ESPERS HAS ALREADY MADE OUR SOCIETY UNSTABLE.
IF THE KEY TO MAKING THIS POWER SPREAD LIES IN THOSE GIRLS...

WE'LL SEE WHETHER THE SAME THING HAPPENS NEXT TIME YOU USE THE BOOST.
AFTER THAT WE CAN GO BACK TO TOKYO.

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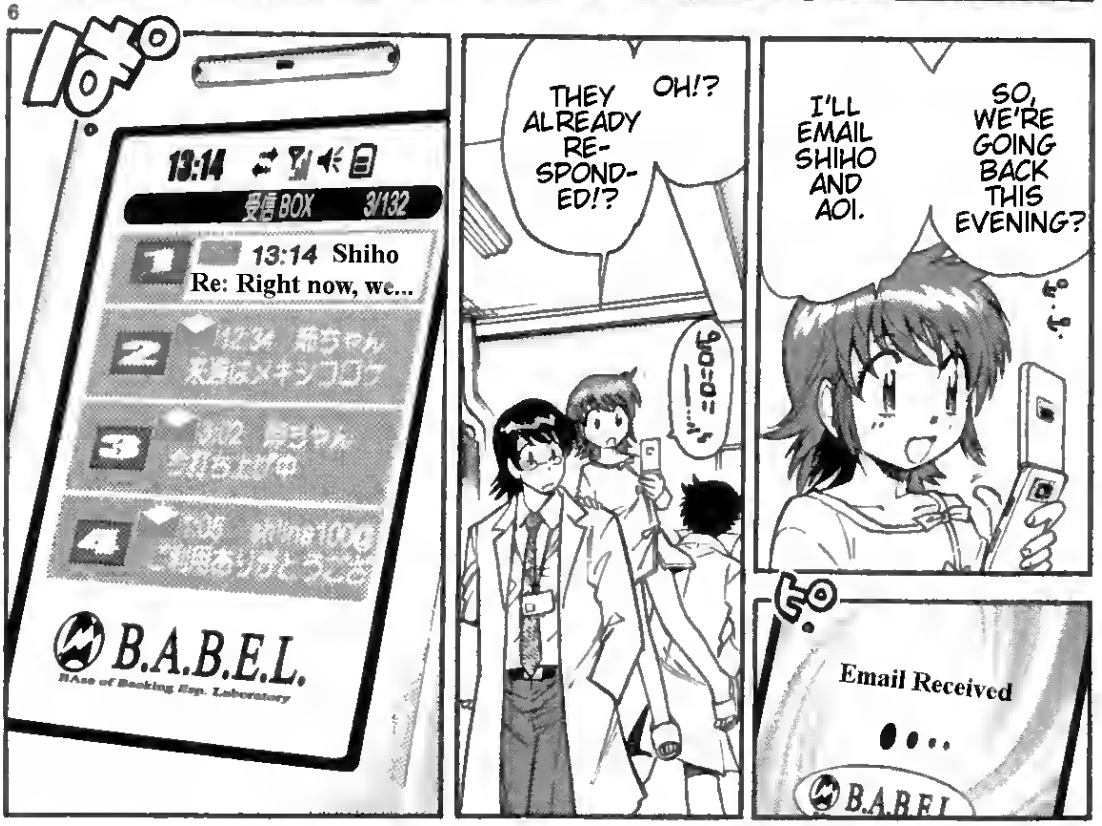
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Re: Right now, we...
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BAse of Banking Esp. Laboratory
THEY ALREADY RE-SPOND-ED!?
OH!?
I'LL EMAIL SHIHO AND AOI.
SO, WE'RE GOING BACK THIS EVENING?
Email Received
B.A.B.E.L

"WE'RE HEADING OUT..."
B.A.B.E.L.
"ON A MISSION WITH NAOMI-CHAN."
SENT!
IT'S NICE HOW WELL YOU GET ALONG.
I WISH I HAD OFFICIAL TEAM-MATES.
TELL HER TO STAY AWAY FROM MINAMOTO-HAN.

小笠原流　出動待機姿勢
WHEN ON ALERT YOU NEED TO BE GRACEFUL!!
SIT WITH THIS POSTURE!!
HEY!!
NO PERSONAL EMAILS DURING A MISSION!!
HOW MUCH LONGER?
...AND I'M JEALOUS OF YOUR SUPERVISOR.

!
I CAN SEE WHERE WE'RE HEADED ...!!

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MY CHILD...!!
MY CHILD IS STILL TRAPPED IN THERE!!
HURRY UP WITH THE TOW TRUCK!!
WE CAN'T PUT OUT THE FIRE WITH THOSE CARS IN THE WAY!!

SEND IN THE FIRE TRUCK!!
HURRY!!
WE'VE GOT THE KID!!
"THE WILD CAT" AND TWO OTHERS HAVE ARRIVED!!

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SPECIAL ESPERS ...!!
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HOW ARE THINGS INSIDE!?
IT'S ODD.
HE HAS A BROKEN BONE FROM THE WRECKAGE HE WAS CAUGHT IN.
WE'LL HURRY HIM TO THE HOS-PITAL!
THANK YOU...!!
HE NEEDS TO BE TREATED SOON BECAUSE THE PRESSURE IS KEEPING HIM FROM BREATHING PROPERLY!
IT LOOKS LIKE A SERIES OF COLLISIONS CAUSED THIS...
IT'S LIKE THEY WERE PURPOSEFULLY PACKED TOGETHER.
BUT THE CARS ARE PILED ON TOP OF EACH OTHER IN AN ODD WAY.
OUR FIRST PRIORITY IS TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE!
QUIT SAYING I HAVE FAIR SKIN!!
THESE FLAMES COULD BURN NAOMI'S FAIR SKIN!

HM ...!?
A FIRE TRUCK...!!
WOW...
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WH-WHAT!!
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WHAT WAS THAT...!?
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GY-AAAH!!
SMASH!!
CRASH!
SMASH!!
CRASH!
EH...!?

A...
A GIANT ROBOT!?
...ARE YOU "THE CHIL-DREN"?
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I WANT IT.
"BLACK PHANTOM" SAID YOU HAD A FUN TOY.
WHA...!!
SO PLAY WITH ME.
AND JUST SO YOU KNOW...
!!

MY TOYS ARE STRONG.
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UNDER-STOOD, WE'LL GET THERE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE!!
B...
BLACK PHANTOM ...!?

"BLACK PHANTOM" HAS ATTACKED!!
WH-WHAT HAPPENED!?
WE HAVE TO HURRY BACK TO TOKYO!!
"WILD CAT" AND "THE CHILDREN" ARE FIGHTING!!
!!
ALL OF "THE CHILDREN" ARE NEEDED FOR THE BOOST!
WITHOUT YOU THERE, THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO REMOVE THE ENEMY'S BRAIN-WASHING!!

I NEVER THOUGHT THEY'D ATTACK AGAIN SO QUICKLY...!
THEY MUST BE AFTER THE BOOSTER ...!!

Be My Friend (3)

5th sense. ビー・マイ・フレンド(3)

"KING" ...NO, "GOD"...!!
YEAH.
GO!! UMM...
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"GOD FIRE FIGHTING ROBO MARK II"!!
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THAT RIDICULOUS ROBOT CAN'T EXIST!!
IS IT CG? AN ILLUSION!! IT HAS TO BE AN ILLUSION!!
EVERYONE, KEEP YOUR MINDS STRONG!!
IT'S AN ILLUSION.
AND I KNEW THAT WITHOUT YOU TELLING ME.
REALLY!?
AS A MIND READING TYPE, I'M RESISTANT TO ILLUSIONS.
HE ATTACKS USING BOTH ILLUSIONS AND PSYCHO-KINESIS.
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AH, IT'S TRUE...!
WHEN I USE MY SPATIAL COGNIZANCE, I ONLY SEE THE TRUCK FLOATING THERE!
HEH HEH...
YOU'D BETTER TAKE ME SERIOUSLY.

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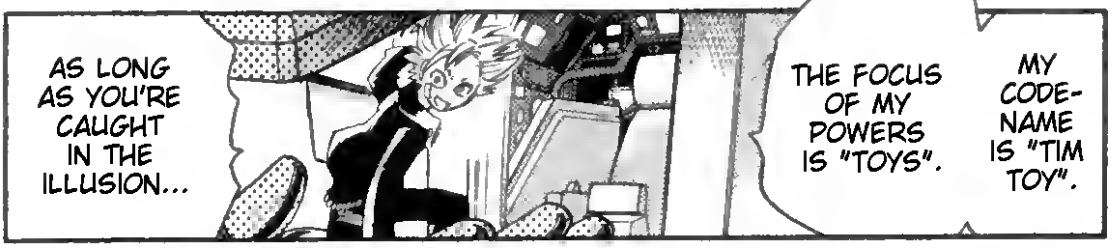
HE'S CONFUSING EVEN MY SUPER SENSES...
.....!?
EH...?
HUH!?

I-IT LOOKS EVEN MORE REAL!?


AS LONG AS YOU'RE CAUGHT IN THE ILLUSION...
THE FOCUS OF MY POWERS IS "TOYS".
MY CODE-NAME IS "TIM TOY".

MOVE, AOI-CHAN!!
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I'M INVINCIBLE!!
SHIHO!?
SH...
KYAAH ...!!
THAT'S DISTURBING! AND YOUR MIND IS WEAK!!
THE BEAM DIDN'T GO ANYWHERE NEAR HERE...!!
OTHERWISE YOU'LL BE CAUGHT IN THE ILLUSION!!
THIS IS WHY I TOLD YOU TO KEEP YOUR MINDS STRONG!!
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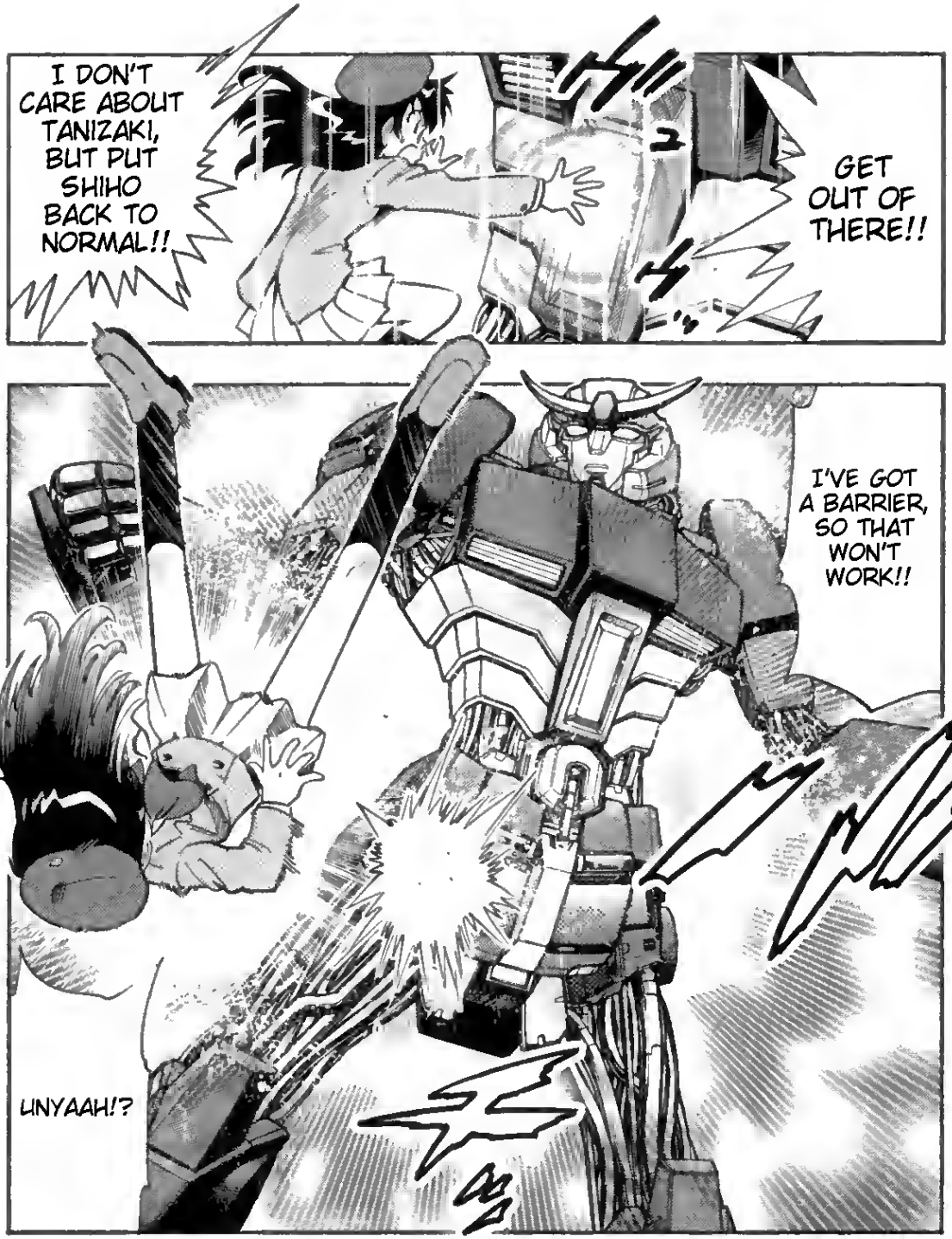
DO THAT TO MY FRIEND!!
HOW DARE YOU...


I DON'T CARE ABOUT TANIZAKI, BUT PUT SHIHO BACK TO NORMAL!!
GET OUT OF THERE!!
I'VE GOT A BARRIER, SO THAT WON'T WORK!!
UNYAAH!?

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THAT BARRIER DOESN'T ACTUALLY EXIST!!
YOU CAN'T FOOL ME!!
WHAT!?

NOW I'M MAD!
I DON'T BELIEVE IN...
YOUR ROBOT OR YOUR BARRIER, SO...
!!

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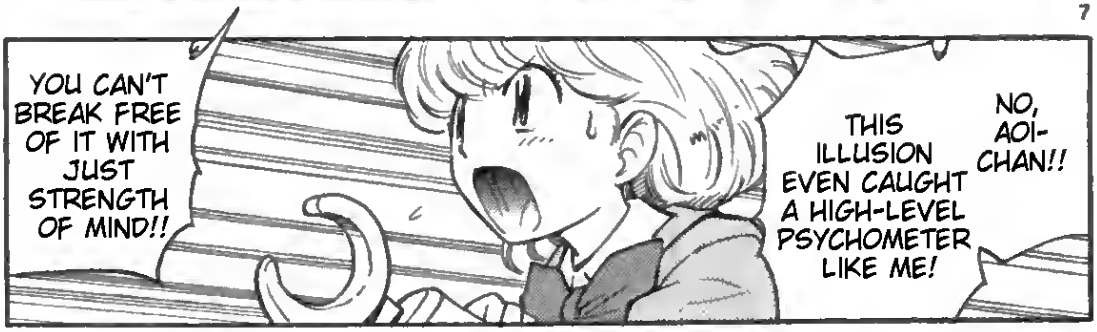
NO, AOI-CHAN!!
THIS ILLUSION EVEN CAUGHT A HIGH-LEVEL PSYCHOMETER LIKE ME!
YOU CAN'T BREAK FREE OF IT WITH JUST STRENGTH OF MIND!!

NOW THEN...
♪I THINK I'LL HIT YOU WITH A MORE CONCRETE ATTACK.
!!
FIRE MISSILES!!
IF THESE HIT YOU, YOU'LL TURN INTO A TOY, TOO!

THE REAL AND THE IMAGINARY ARE ALL JUMBLED TOGETHER ....
AH!
UWAAH ...!!
CRAP!!
HAAH!
AOI-CHAN!!

OKAY...!!
I CAN BARELY MOVE...!!
...SHE LOOKS KINDA CUTE!?
DO SOME-THING, NAOMI-CHAN!!
DAMN IT!!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT !?
IN MY HEAD, I KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON, BUT I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT!!
SO...
!
YOU'RE THE ONLY MEMBER OF "THE CHILDREN" LEFT.

THAT WEIRD TECHNIQUE THAT DEFEATED "BARRET".
I WANT YOU TO USE IT ON ME.
QUIT ACTING LIKE YOU CAN HANDLE ME AND USE IT.
HE THINKS I'M...

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IS KAORU...!?
HE THINKS NAOMI-CHAN...

...UNDERSTOOD!
STALL FOR TIME UNTIL WE CAN GET THERE!!
HE HASN'T REALIZED THAT IT'S A MIXED TEAM!
YES.
BECAUSE THE THREE OF THEM DISPATCHED TOGETHER ...
HIS OBJECTIVE IS PROBABLY ...
TO GATHER INFORMATION ON THE BOOST DEVICE!
AN ESPER NEAR THE TOP OF "BLACK PHANTOM" MIGHT BE MONITORING THE SITUATION...!!

YES!
IF HE FINDS OUT WHO NAOMI-CHAN IS, YOU'RE IN TROUBLE!
ARE YOU SAYING HE'S PURPOSEFULLY NOT FINISHING US OFF!?
AOI AND SHIHO CAN'T DO A THING!
HE COULD KILL THEM AND TAKE THEIR LIMITERS!!
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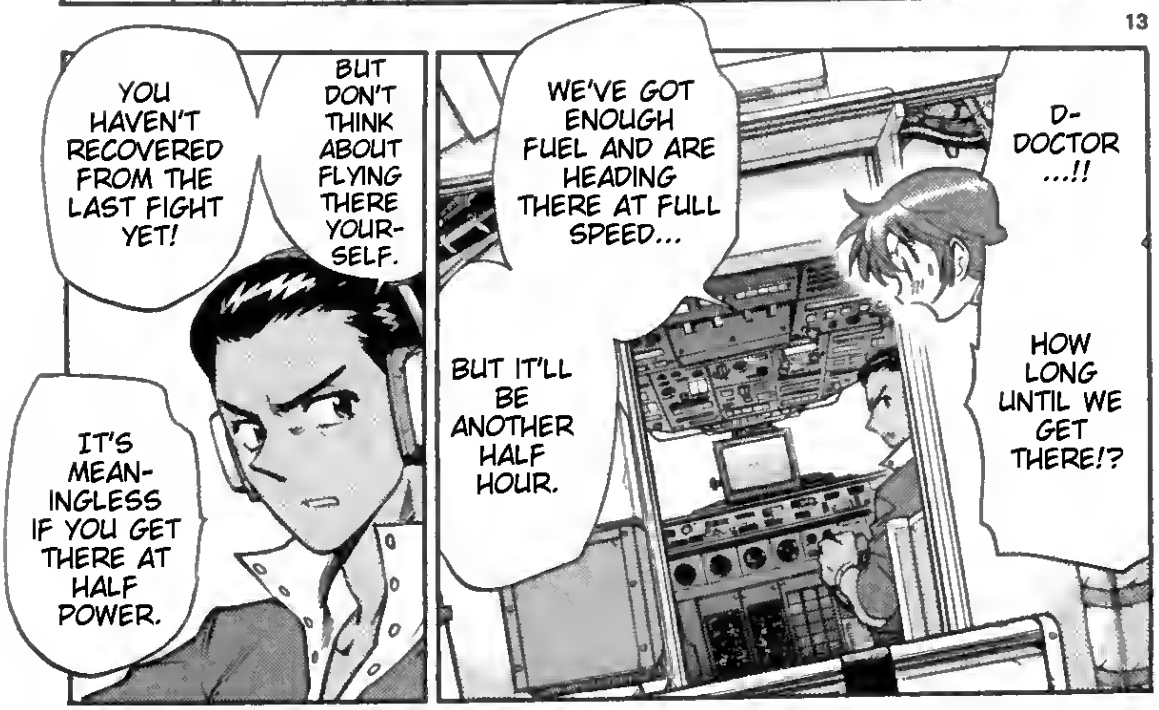
YOU HAVEN'T RECOVERED FROM THE LAST FIGHT YET!
BUT DON'T THINK ABOUT FLYING THERE YOUR-SELF.
IT'S MEAN-INGLESS IF YOU GET THERE AT HALF POWER.
WE'VE GOT ENOUGH FUEL AND ARE HEADING THERE AT FULL SPEED...
BUT IT'LL BE ANOTHER HALF HOUR.
D-DOCTOR ...!!
HOW LONG UNTIL WE GET THERE!?

AT THIS RATE, SHIHO AND AOI WILL...!!
BUT...!!

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DO YOU REALLY THINK ONE PSYCHO-KINETIC LIKE YOU CAN DEFEAT ME?
KYAAH!!

AH...
AAAAH!!
NAOMI!!
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NAOMI-CHAN!!
HURRY UP AND USE THAT "BOOST" THING.
IF YOU DON'T...
!!

GET YOUR HANDS OFF MY KIDS!!

DIRECTOR TSUBOMI!!
DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY.
I MADE SURE TO WAKE UP TODAY!!
WHAT'S WITH YOU?
DON'T BUTT IN WHEN YOU'RE NOT INVOLVED.
THIS IS BETWEEN ME AND "THE CHILDREN".
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OH, IS THAT SO?
THEN...
!!
I WON'T LET YOU DO THIS!!

AH...
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YAA-AH!?
WHAT IF I...
GO AHEAD AND KILL THESE TWO?
WHA...!!
!!
SHIHO!! AOI!!

LET'S SEE...
A SUMMARY OF RECENT EVENTS?
"BLACK PHANTOM", AN ORGANIZATION THAT BRAINWASHES ESPERS AND USES THEM AS SOLDIERS, HAS BEEN SHOWING UP...
.....
.....
OKAY, LEAVE IT TO ME.
EH, WHAT?
THIS IS HARD AND I DON'T REALLY GET IT.
FLYING SQUIRREL
WE THOUGHT THAT THE ONLY WAY TO REMOVE BLACK PHANTOM'S BRAINWASHING WAS TO KILL HIM, BUT "THE CHILDREN" PROVED IT COULD BE DONE WITH THEIR "BOOST" THAT COMBINES THEIR POWERS INTO ONE. ACCORDING TO THE VISION, THEY WILL BECOME THE FUTURE LEADERS OF THE ESPERS AND DESTROY THE NORMALS, AND THERE IS A HIGH POSSIBILITY THAT THIS INCIDENT WAS CAUSED BY THEIR INSTINCT TO PROTECT ESPERS. HYOUBU KYOUSUKE, THE LEADER OF "P.A.N.D.R.A" AN ESPER GROUP OPPOSED TO THE CURRENT SOCIETY, WANTS THEM TO...
I LEAVE IT TO YOU, MAGI.
IN ONE PANEL.
HEY!!
"BREATHE"

They are the Special Esper Team "The Children"!!
Japan's strongest espers are 11 year old girls!
RANKING THE BREASTS OF THE FEMALE STAFF MEMBERS.
HMM...
MY HOBBIES ARE SEXUALLY HARASSING MY FRIENDS AND...
HEY.
Akashi Kaoru (11)
Level 7 Psychokinetic
I WANT TO MARRY SOMEONE LIKE THAT IN THE FUTURE.
UMM...
I LIKE PEOPLE WHO ARE KIND AND SMART, SO...
SHE HAS IT PLANNED OUT!?
Nogami Aoi (11)
Level 7 Teleporter
LIKE LAMB BRAIN.
I LIKE SWEETS AND...
MEAT THAT HAS A LOT OF INFORMATIONAL "FLAVOR".
EE!?
Sannomiya Shiho (11)
Level 7 Psychometer

AT THIS RATE, SHIHO AND AOI WILL...
DIE...!!
Be My Friend (4)
6 th sense.
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ガシャ!!
STOP IT!!
IF YOU DON'T...
WHAT?
YOU'LL KILL ME?
IF YOU CAN, THEN GO AHEAD AND DO IT.
THAT'S THE KIND OF GAME THIS IS...!!
"BLACK PHANTOM" HAS... MADE IT TO THE VERY DEPTHS OF THIS BOY'S HEART ...!!
……!!

IF KAORU-CHAN DOESN'T MAKE IT IN TIME...
I DON'T HAVE THE POWER TO SAVE HIM...!!
バキャッ
WAIT, KAORU!!

I WON'T MAKE IT IN TIME!!
MINA-MOTO'S RIGHT ...!!
YOU'LL JUST WEAR YOURSELF OUT!!
FLYING WILL ONLY CUT OFF A COUPLE OF MINUTES!!
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KAORU-CHAN ...!?
I...!!
GRANNY, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
PROTECT SHIHO AND AOI!!
PLEASE.
BY ANY MEANS NECES-SARY!!

BUT ...!!
THEY ONLY WAY TO DEFEAT HIM WITHOUT REMOVING THE BRAINWASHING IS TO KILL HIM...
HE'S WILLING TO DIE FOR THIS!!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, KAORU!!
!!
YOU DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER CHOICE ...!!

WE HAVE NO CHOICE!!
IF WE DON'T SHIHO AND AOI WILL ...
.....!!
AND I DON'T WANT THAT!!
I DON'T WANT THAT...!!

GRANNY!!
EVEN WITH JUST HIS MENTAL ATTACKS, HE CAN STILL KILL PEOPLE.
... AGREED.

!!
SORRY.
THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I CAN PROTECT THOSE GIRLS...
IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S NO MORE ROOM IN THE LIFEBOAT THIS TIME.
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NO, AOI...
KAORU, STOP GRANNY!!
ISN'T HE ONE OF US!?
STOP!!
NO, MORE...!!
...KAORU-CHAN!?
THAT'S ENOUGH, RIGHT!?
RIGHT!?
COME ON OUT!!
6 Years Ago

NO...!!
SEND OUT A STRONGER "REPEATER"!!
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THIS ISN'T ENOUGH!
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MY POWERS AREN'T GONE YET!
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YOUR POWERS ARE AMAZING!!
.....
THIS IS AN EXPERI-MENTAL ECM FOR MILITARY USE.
BUT ISN'T THIS A GOOD THING!?
WE CAN'T FULLY SEAL YOUR POWERS WITH CURRENT TECHNOLOGY!
I DON'T WANT THIS POWER OR THIS BODY.
I DON'T WANT THIS.
NO.
MHHH...
CHIEF ...
THIS IS AS MUCH AS WE CAN DO...
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明石秋江
Akashi Akie
Victim of Domestic Violence?
Hospitalized with Mysterious Injuries
I DON'T WANT THIS...!!

IS THAT YOU'RE NOT OUR ONLY LEVEL 7 ESPER.
THAT'S RIGHT. THEY'LL BE YOUR FRIENDS.
ONE OF OUR COUNTY'S BIGGEST SECRETS...
....COM-RADES?
B.A.B.E.L.
!!
THERE ARE ACTUALLY TWO OTHER GIRLS...
THE SAME AGE AS YOU.
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THE THREE OF YOU WILL BE A TEAM.
UP UNTIL NOW WE THOUGHT YOU SHOULD BE KEPT SEPARATE.
BUT STARTING TODAY...

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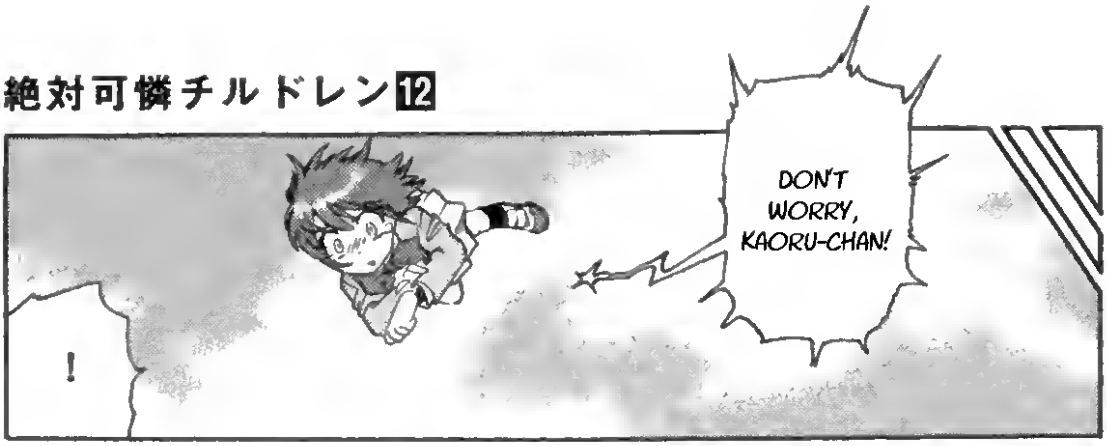
RADES
...!!
MY...

THE OTHER TWO ARE THE SAME AS YOU...
IN THAT THEY DON'T LIKE THEIR OWN POWERS.
BUT...
WHAT DO YOU THINK, KAORU-KUN?
ARE THEIR POWERS ...
A BAD THING?
.....
NO!

THEY'RE REALLY COOL AND REALLY CUTE...!!
I...
THAT'S RIGHT ....
BECAUSE I...
I LEARNED THAT I DIDN'T HAVE TO HATE MYSELF.
I LOVED YOU THAT MUCH!


DON'T WORRY, KAORU-CHAN!
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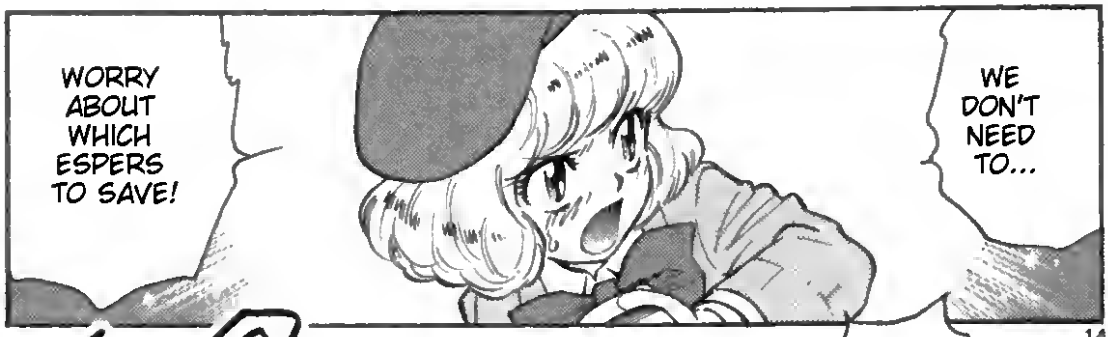
WORRY ABOUT WHICH ESPERS TO SAVE!
WE DON'T NEED TO...

STOP IT, GRANNY!!
THAT'S RIGHT!
!?
WHAT ARE YOU...?

UNTIL THEN, WE'LL TAKE CARE OF OURSELVES!
THE THREE OF US ARE ALWAYS TOGETHER!
HURRY BACK!
IF YOU KEEP EXERTING THAT MUCH ENERGY, YOU'LL ONLY LAST 5 OR 6 MINUTES...
HIS ATTACK HAS WEAKENED YOUR VITAL FUNCTIONS!
DON'T BE STUPID!!
ARE THEY PLANNING ON SUPPRESSING THE HYPNOSIS AS MUCH AS THEY CAN...!?
THEY'RE DISTORTING SPACE AND BENDING LIGHT...!?
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WE JUST HAVE TO HOLD OUT UNTIL THEN!
KAORU WILL GET HERE SOON!
IT'S FINE!!

THOSE TWO...!!
!?
JUST WAIT!!
OKAY, UNDERSTOOD!!
UM, WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING ON DOING!?
KAORU WILL MAKE IT THERE IN TIME!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO GET AUTHORIZATION, DO WE?
YOU'VE... GONE BAD...
I'LL CALL IN SOME BACKUP.
DON'T YOU THINK THIS WAY IS PERFECT?

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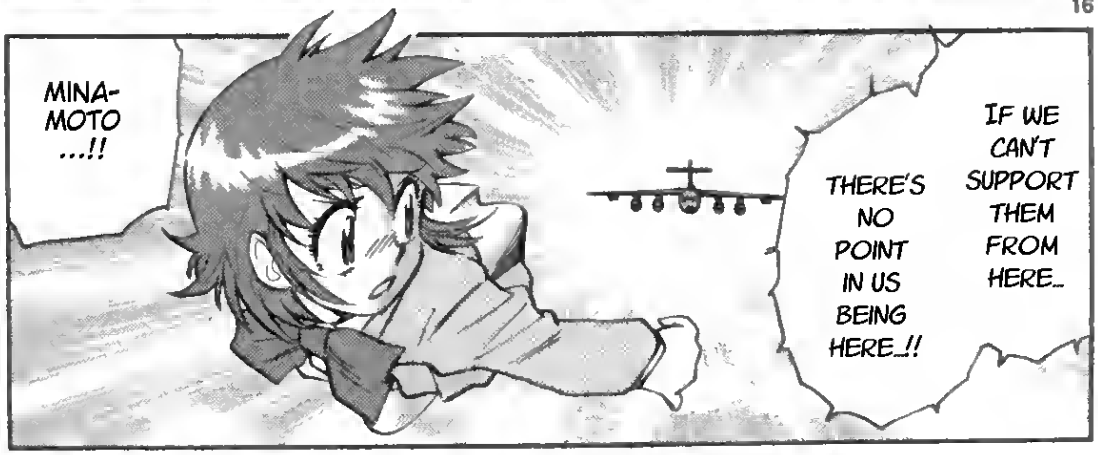

MINAMOTO ...!!
THERE'S NO POINT IN US BEING HERE...!!
IF WE CAN'T SUPPORT THEM FROM HERE...

DON'T WORRY, EVERY-ONE!!
WHETHER ENEMY OR FRIEND...
WE'LL SAVE EVERY ESPER THERE!!
IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER, WE CAN DO IT!!

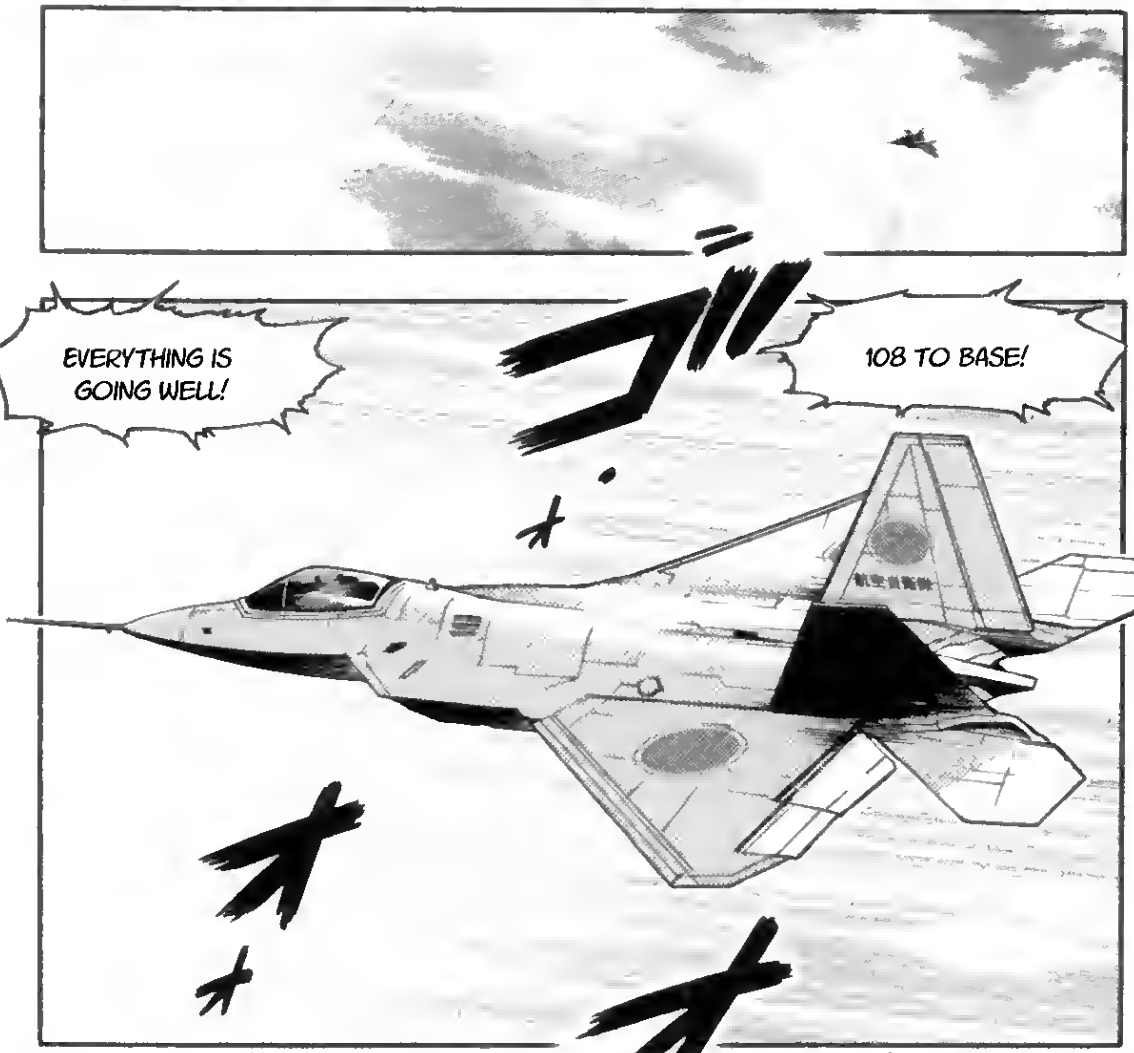
I WILL...
YEAH!!
NEVER BE ALONE AGAIN...!!

Supervisor of "The Children" Lieutenant Minamoto Kouichi (21)
Minamoto lives a fairly indoors life...
But he actually has a pretty ripped body.
...I'M NOT DOING THIS BECAUSE I WANT TO!!
OH, SO YOU WANT TO BE POPULAR, TOO!
BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY BEAUTIFUL WOMEN HERE AT B.A.B.E.L.
DON'T FAIL ME, MY ABS!!
QUIT TREATING US LIKE KIDS!!
He does it to survive.

Psychokinesis : The power to move objects with the power of your mind.
I FOUND A SECRET.
AH ...
Psychometry The power to read information from the objects you touch.
WE'VE BEEN USING OUR POWERS TOO MUCH!!
IF WE KEEP THIS UP, WE'RE IN BIG TROUBLE!
THIS IS BAD, EVERYONE!!
Teleportation The power to instantaneously move to another place.
YOU ALWAYS ...
WELL, FOR TELEPORTERS ...
LIKE ABOUT OUR WEIGHT ...
YOU CAN GO ANYWHERE IN AN INSTANT.
YOU WALK ABOUT AS MUCH AS A MANGAKA

On box Shiho is holding: Parasites of the World

7th sense. ビー・マイ・フレンド(5)



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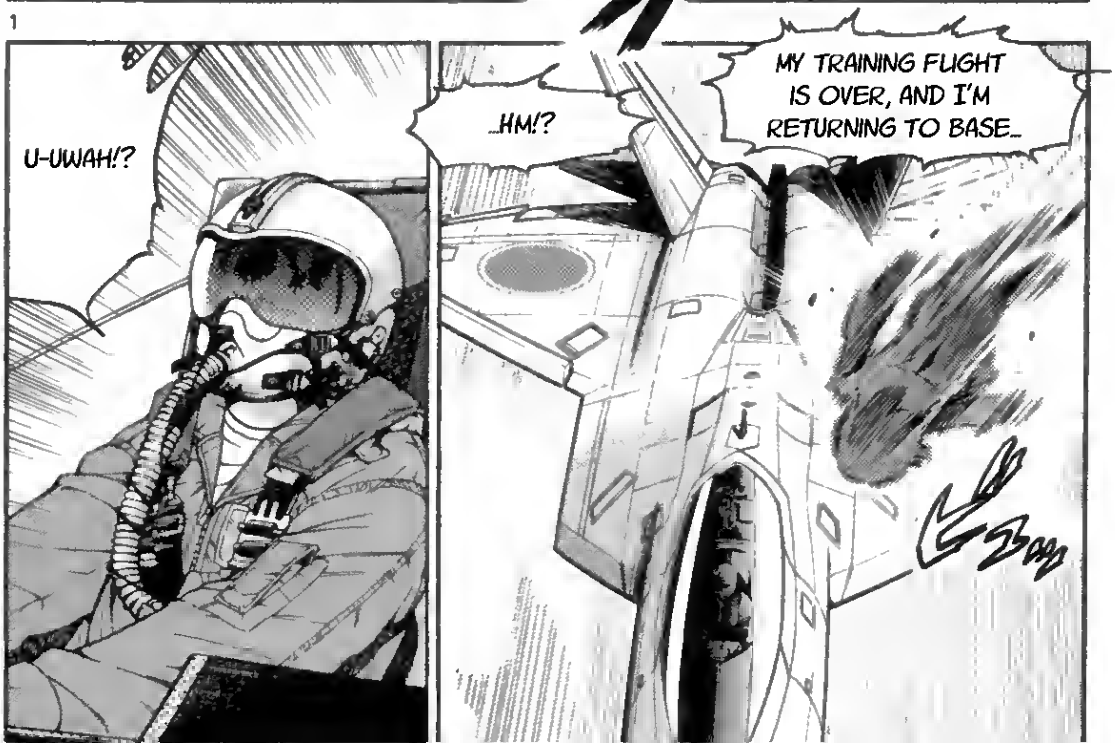

Be My Friend (5)

7th sense. ビー・マイ・フレンド(5)

AH, WHAT'RE YOU...
WAIT... YOU...
ISN'T THIS THING COOL!?
AND IT LOOKS FAST. ♡
WA-AAH!?

WHY YOU ...!!

TCH.
WHAT IS WITH YOU PEOPLE?
ALL YOU'VE BEEN DOING IS DEFENSE.
ARE YOU NOT GOING TO USE THE "BOOST"?
IF YOU DON'T, THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN KILL ME.

DIRECTOR ...!!
HE'S HEALING THE DAMAGE!!
WELL, IT IS AN ILLUSION...

WE HAVE TO STALL FOR TIME UNTIL KAORU-CHAN GETS HERE.
MAKE SURE YOU DON'T GET CAUGHT IN HIS ILLUSION!
ARE AOI-CHAN AND SHIHO-CHAN OKAY...?
THEY'RE INTERCEPTING THE LIGHT TO DEFEND AGAINST THE FEEDBACK FROM HIS VISION...
SO I DON'T THINK IT'LL ADVANCE ANY FURTHER, BUT...

PLAY THIS GAME SERIOUSLY!!
WHAT ARE YOU MUTTERING ABOUT!?
WAAH!?
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DON'T LOOK AWAY, NAOMI!!
HOSE HIM DOWN!!
AIM FOR THE ROBOT'S EYES!!
DON'T LOSE TO THAT OUTDATED, TASTELESS, RE-IMPORTED ROBOT!!

THE TOYS OF THIS COUNTRY HAVE EVOLVED MUCH FURTHER!!
IN JAPAN, ONLY INFANTS WOULD PLAY WITH SUCH AN OUT OF FASHION TOY!!
DON'T MAKE FUN OF GOD FIRE FIGHTING ROBO!!
WHAT!!
OH!?
O...
LIKE THIS!!
BABEL
I HAD KUGUTSU-KUN MAKE IT FOR ME A WHILE BACK!!
DON'T MAKE DIS-TURBING THINGS WITHOUT PERMIS-SION!!
1/6 Wild Cat
(Strengthened Assault Outfit)
Prototype Manufacturer -
Kugutsu Takashi

NEITHER LIGHT NOR SOUND CAN ENTER...

SO WHAT'S GOING ON OUTSIDE?
HMM.
IT LOOKS LIKE GRANNY AND NAOMI-CHAN ARE DOING THEIR BEST.
AND TANIZAKI GOT A FOOT TO THE FACE.
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT, BUT IT FEELS LIKE IT'S SPREADING.
THIS IS A REALLY STRONG ILLUSION.
IF IT REACHES OUR HEARTS, IT'S OVER.

KEEP AT IT, AOI-CHAN!!
IF WE'RE TAKEN OUT BEFORE THAT...
KAORU-CHAN WILL BE HERE SOON!
THIS ISN'T GOOD ...!!
IT FEELS LIKE I'M BEING CRUSHED ...!!
IT LOOKS LIKE MY LIMIT FOR DISTORTING SPACE WILL COME SOONER THAN I THOUGHT...
THEY'RE STILL ALIVE, AREN'T THEY?
KAORU-CHAN WILL GET EVERYTHING HER WAY.
YES, IN OUR HEARTS.
O-OH NO!!
THAT REALLY PISSES ME OFF!!

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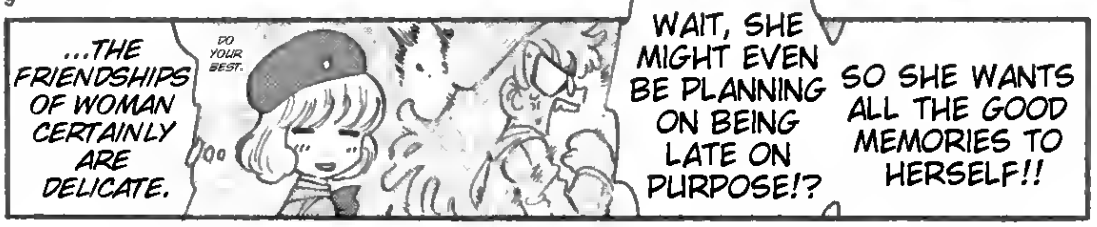
...THE FRIENDSHIPS OF WOMAN CERTAINLY ARE DELICATE.
DO YOUR BEST.
WAIT, SHE MIGHT EVEN BE PLANNING ON BEING LATE ON PURPOSE!?
SO SHE WANTS ALL THE GOOD MEMORIES TO HERSELF!!

!!
WHAT!?
WAAH!!
THAT'S ...!!
HM...!?

KAORU!!
SORRY FOR KEEPING YOU WAITING!!
KAORU-CHAN!!
THE TAXI DIDN'T WANT TO LET ME HITCH A RIDE...
AND THAT DELAYED ME A BIT!!

HE'S WAITING FOR YOU ON THE TRANSPORT PLANE!
NOW THAT I'M HERE, YOU CAN GO!
WHERE IS MINA-MOTO-KUN!?
THAT THING'S COOLER THAN MY FIRE TRUCK!?
KH...!!
THE NEW TYPE OF JET...!!
THAT THING'S FAST ...!!
THOSE KIDS ARE ALL BOSSING ME AROUND ...!!
... GEEZ.
KAORU ...!!
ARE YOU TWO OKAY!?
ARE YOU OKAY!?
I'M SORRY I COULDN'T BE WITH YOU.
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PLEASE HIT ME!!
FORGIVE ME, MELOS!!
EH?
AOI-CHAN CERTAINLY IS TIMID! AND I WAS PLANNING ON TELLING HER LATER.

WHO ARE YOU?
HOW DARE YOU...
TURN MY TEAM-MATES INTO TOYS...!!
DIDN'T I JUST SAY SOME-THING COOL!?
THAT WAS COOL, WASN'T IT!?
OH, YES, YES.
COOL. IT WAS COOL.
Said in mono-tone
HI!!
WE ARE...
!!
THE THREE MEMBERS OF "THE CHILDREN" !!
WHAT...!?

SHUT UP!!
IDIOT!! THAT'S NOT TRUE ANYMORE!
FIGURINES?
LIAR!!
YOU ONLY MAKE FIGURINES OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS!
JUST HURRY UP AND USE THE "BOOST".
WELL, WHATEVER.
MINAMOTO-SAN!!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO!
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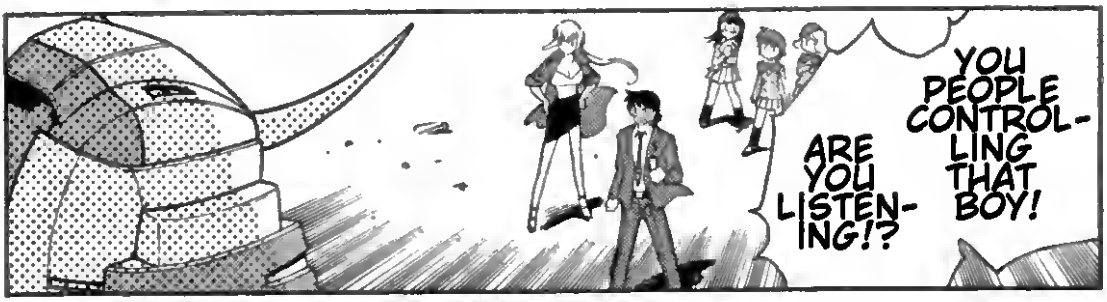
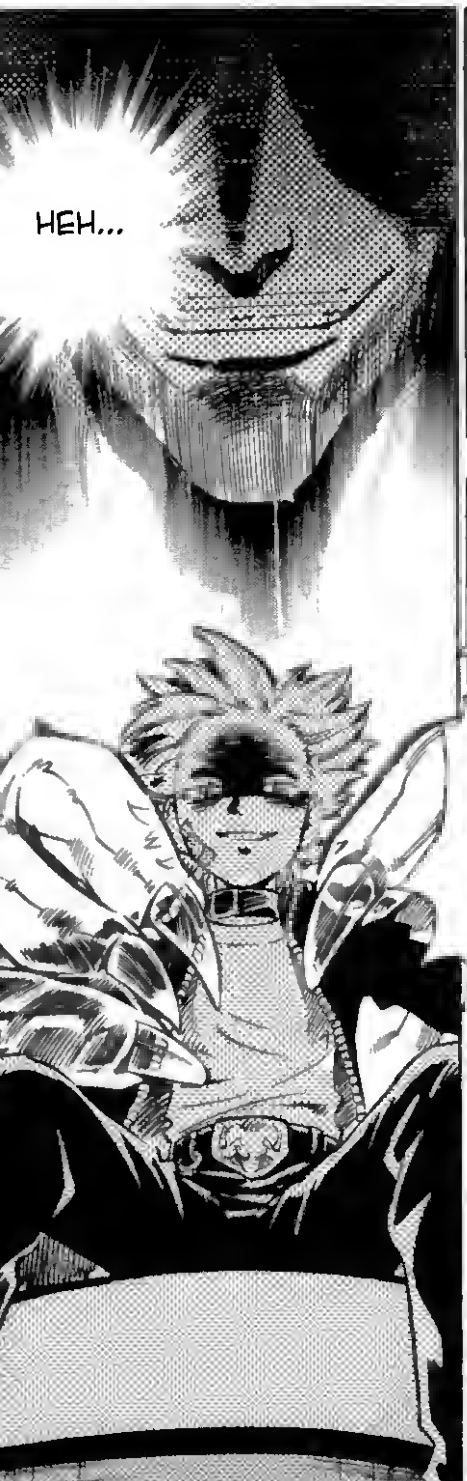
FUJIKO'S TIRED.
...YOU TAKE CARE OF THE REST.
BUT IT'S NOT BECAUSE I'M NOT YOUNG..


YOU PEOPLE CONTROL-LING THAT BOY!
ARE YOU LISTEN-ING!?


HEH...

OR ARE YOU AFRAID OF ALL THE ESPERS IN THE WORLD COMBINING THEIR POWERS!?
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN MAKE YOUR ESPERS INVINCIBLE IF YOU GET YOUR HANDS ON THE BOOSTER!?

NO MATTER HOW MANY BRAIN-WASHED ESPERS YOU SEND...
WE WILL LIBERATE ALL OF THEM!!
SORRY, BUT SENDING THIS BOY OUT WAS USELESS!!

..YES,
"BLACK PHANTOM".
YOU'D BETTER REMEMBER THIS, BOY.
THAT'S ENOUGH.
TELL TIM TO DIE ONCE HE'S DONE FIGHTING THEM.

are a Tele-path and a Clair-voy-ant.
B.A.-B.E.L.'s recep-tion-ists ...
Esper Receptionist Team "Double Face"
and get rid of them ...
Their job is to find suspi-cious peop-le ...
WE'RE HERE TO DELIVER SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS !
SPECIAL DELIVERY !!
Amazon.com
HE HAS A PIERC-ING THERE !?
W-WHAT A DIRTY MIND !!
PER-VERT!!
But they're not very good shots.
NOTHING WILL HAPPEN IF YOU CAN'T HIT ME!!

The Children...
hide their identities and attend elementary school.
BEFORE THEY WERE NORMAL SHORTS...
BUT LAST YEAR THEY SUDDENLY CHANGED IT TO LEGG-INGS.
ABOUT OUR PE UNI-FORMS ...
Left of Aoi They said it was the government's orders...
?
BUT THIS WAS A COMPRO-MISE.
I REALLY WANTED BURUMA ...
IN THIS DAY AND AGE...?
ARE YOU AN OLD MAN!?
IT WASN'T JUST OUR UNIFORM'S MINI-SKIRT!?
THIS WAS YOU, TOO!?

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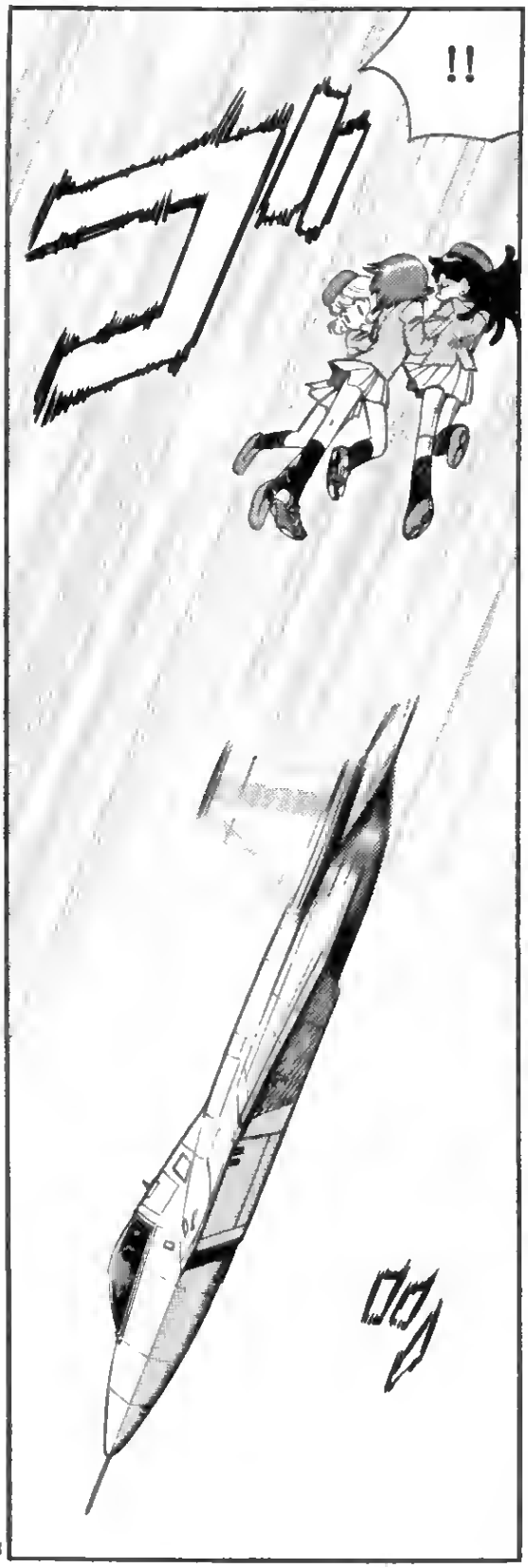
Be My Friend (6)

WHAT ARE YOU DOING!!
ARE YOU TRYING TO RUN!!
TCH!!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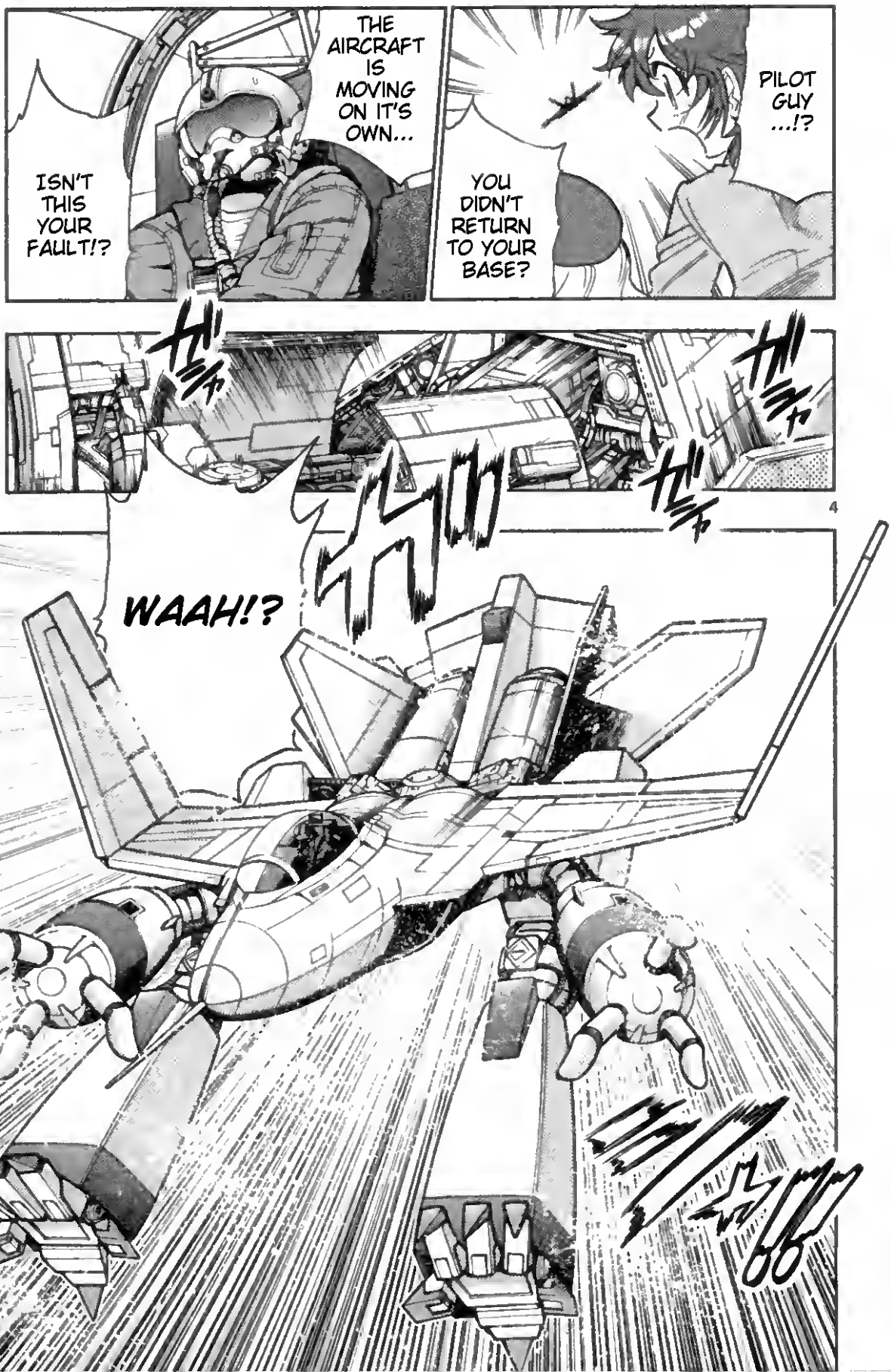
IDIOT. LIKE WE'D RUN AWAY!
I'M JUST TAKING THEM OUT OF THE RANGE OF YOUR ILLUSION TO RETURN THEM TO NORMAL!!

...BUT WE'RE NOT CHANGING BACK?

HIS POWERS ARE VERY POWERFUL.
A BIT FARTHER, KAORU-CHAN.


ISN'T THIS YOUR FAULT!?
THE AIRCRAFT IS MOVING ON IT'S OWN...
YOU DIDN'T RETURN TO YOUR BASE?
PILOT GUY ...!?
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WAAH!?

EH?
NAOMI-CHAN, GET DOWN!
WE'LL USE THE ECM!!
HE'S PLANNING ON COMBINING WITH THE JET AND GOING AFTER THEM!!
WE NEED TO BUY THEM SOME TIME ...!!
!!
IT SHOULD HAVE SOME EFFECT ...!!
IT'LL AT LEAST SHORTEN THE RANGE OF HIS POWERS!!
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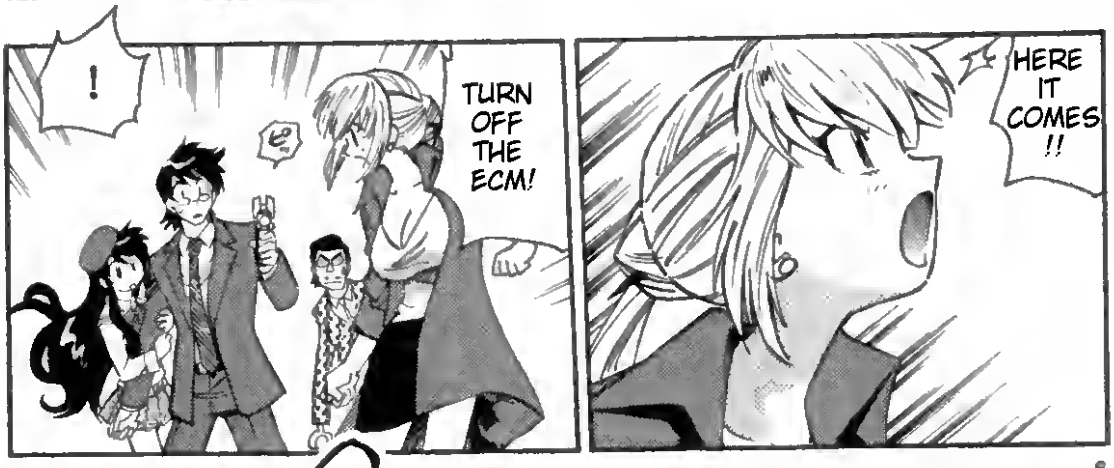
COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM MY SUPERVISOR.
HE CERTAINLY IS RELIABLE ...

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS!?
SHUT UP!!
WH...
HEY!!
WHAT, WHAT !?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!!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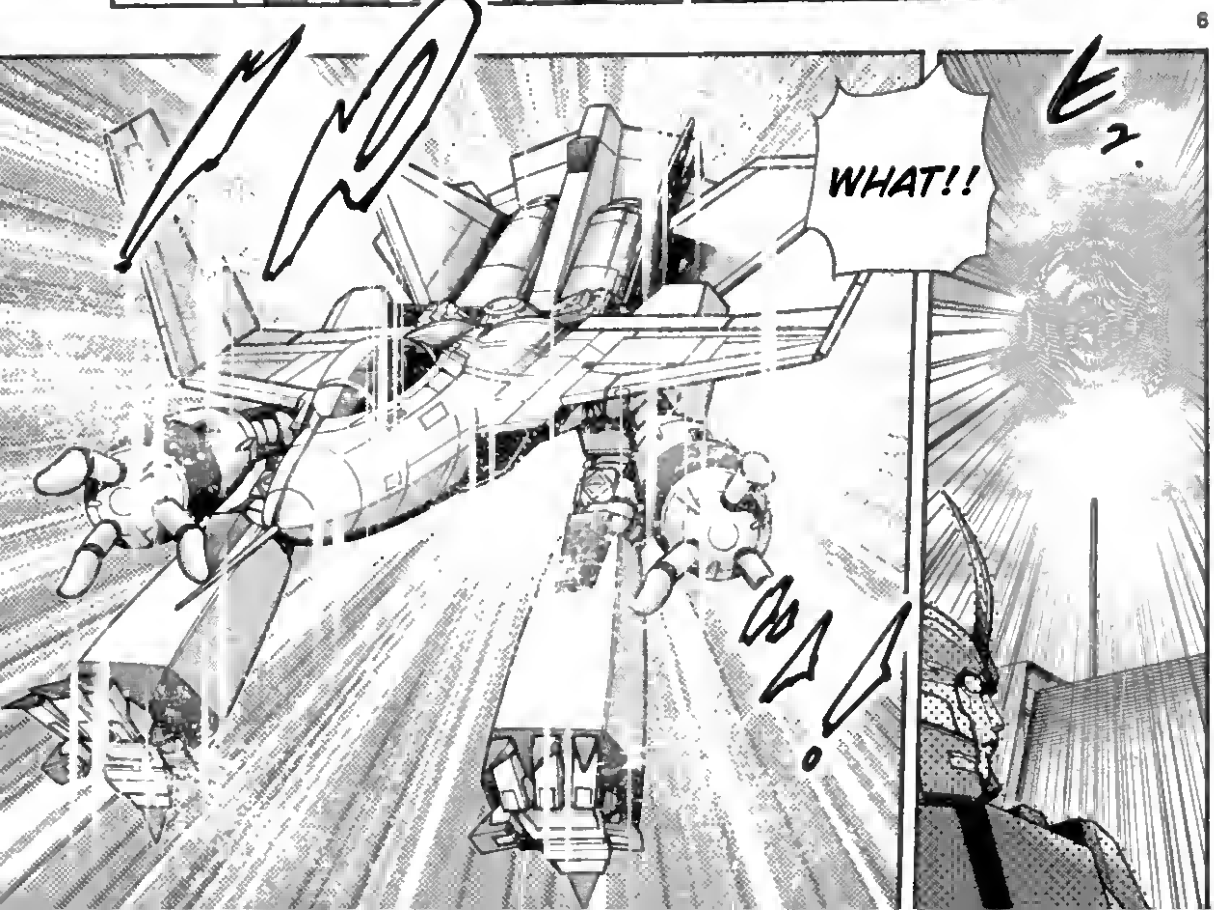
TURN OFF THE ECM!
HERE IT COMES !!


WHAT!!

DWA-
AAH!!
ALL RIGHT ...!!
UM, I THINK YOU OVERDID IT A BIT...

WE TAKE OUR EYES OFF YOU FOR A SECOND AND YOU CHEAT ON US!?
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO OVERDID THINGS!!
HANDS OFF THE HIGH SCHOOL GIRL!!
BH!
YOU LOLICON!!

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SH-SHIT...!!
MY GOD FIRE FIGHTING ROBO...!!

I-I DIDN'T DO ANY-THING!!
HOW COULD YOU DO THIS WHEN YOU HAVE US!!
I'M NOT MAKING EXCUSES!!
QUIT MAKING EX-CUSES!!
I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY IT WAS JUST SPUR OF THE MOMENT FORGIVE ME

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU ACTUALLY RESPONDED TO THAT.
SO YOU LIKE TO KEEP YOUR TOYS UNTIL THEY BREAK.
!!

THIS GAME EITHER ENDS WITH THE "BOOST" OR MY DEATH!
NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS...
I'LL HAVE IT FIXED IN A MINUTE OR TWO!!
H-HMPH!!

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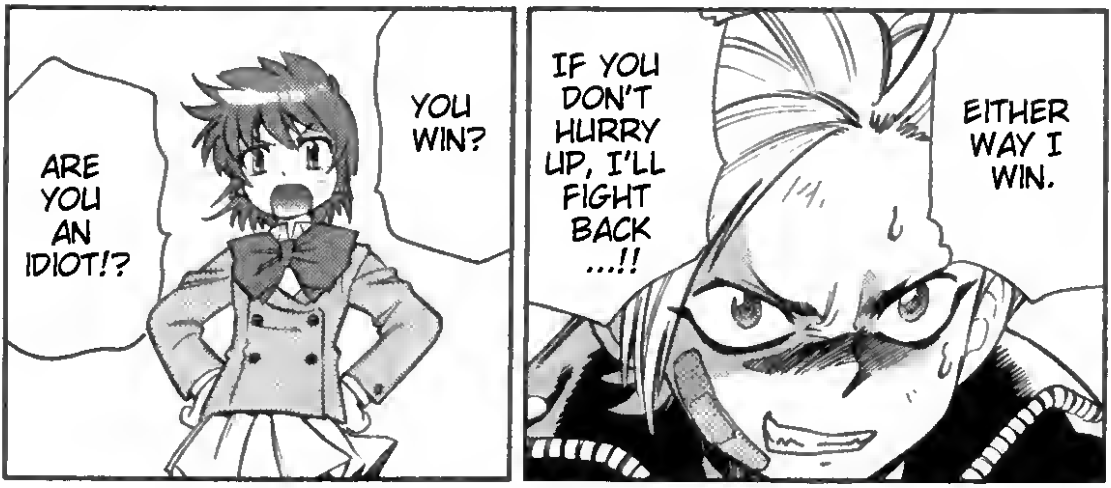
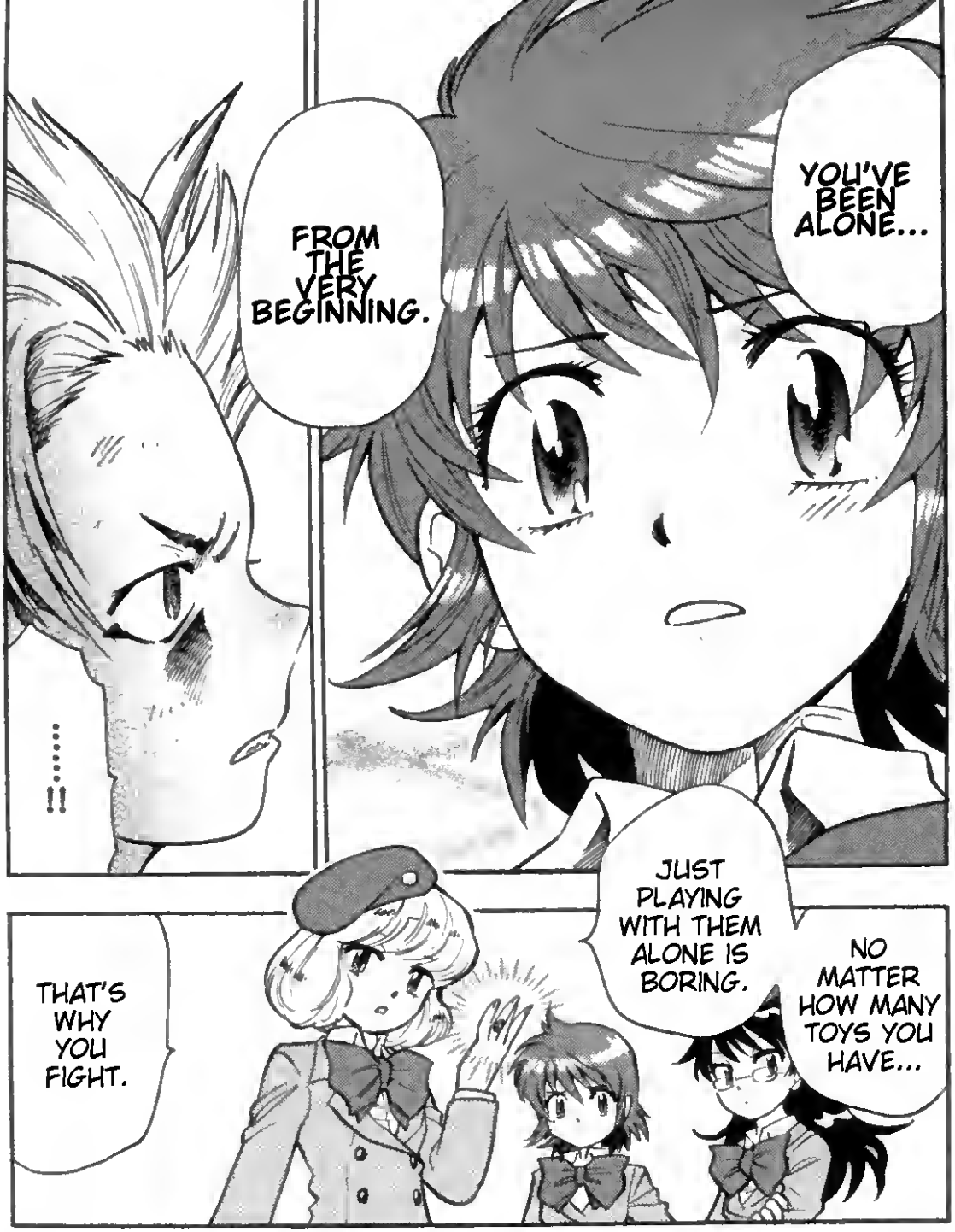

ARE YOU AN IDIOT!?
YOU WIN?
IF YOU DON'T HURRY UP, I'LL FIGHT BACK ...!!
EITHER WAY I WIN.


YOU'VE BEEN ALONE...
FROM THE VERY BEGINNING.
.....!!
NO MATTER HOW MANY TOYS YOU HAVE...
JUST PLAYING WITH THEM ALONE IS BORING.
THAT'S WHY YOU FIGHT.

ONLY WHEN YOU'RE FIGHTING DO YOU NOT FEEL ALONE.
DON'T YOU REALIZE THAT YOU'VE BEEN BRAIN-WASHED USING THAT WEAK-NESS?
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO DIE...
FOR THE SAKE OF THOSE WHO ARE JUST CASTING YOU ASIDE?

WE'RE THE ONES WHO WIN NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS.
BECAUSE NO MATTER WHAT...
WE'RE NOT ALONE.

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YOU DID A GOOD JOB RAISING THEM.
EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE BEEN ALMOST IN TEARS FOR A BIT NOW...
.....!!

SHUT UP,
SHUT UP,
SHUT UP,
SHUT UP,
SHUT UP,
SHUT UP.
SHUT UP...!!
MADE IN CHINA
SHUT UUUUUP!!

IT'S OKAY.
WE'LL BE YOUR FRIEND.
FULL RELEASE !!
"THE CHILDREN" TRIPLE BOOST!!
AFTER I GET BACK AT YOU FOR WHAT YOU DID TO SHIHO AND AOI!!!
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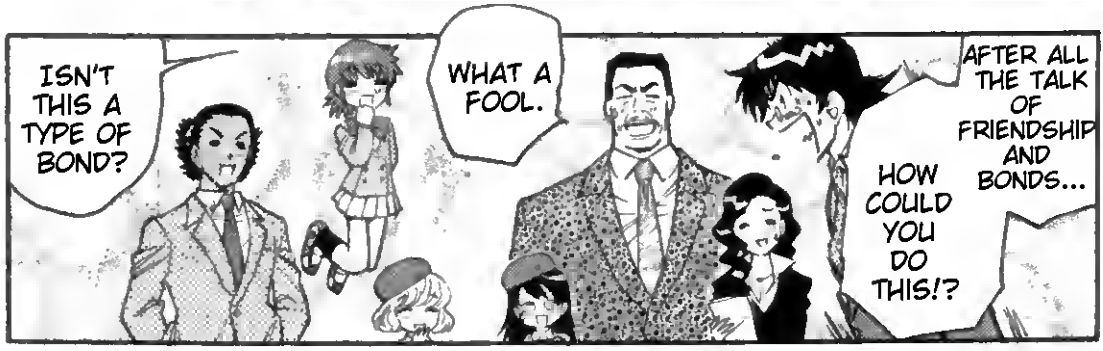
WELL, WE CAN'T BLAME HER FOR BEING A BIT HARSH.
.....
SHE MAY HAVE THE INSTINCT TO PROTECT OTHER ESPERS...
BUT THE BONDS BETWEEN THOSE THREE ARE SPECIAL.
A-A KICK WORKED!?
IT'S FINE AS LONG IS IT CAME FROM THE FEELING OF WANTING TO SAVE HIM.
I...DON'T THINK THAT'S WHY SHE DID IT...

I'M A BIT JEALOUS.
BONDS... HUH?
OKAY.
TIME FOR US TO GO.
MAGI-CHAN'S MAD AT YOU, MAJOR.
EH?
HEH.
.....
WE WILL LIBERATE ALL OF THEM!

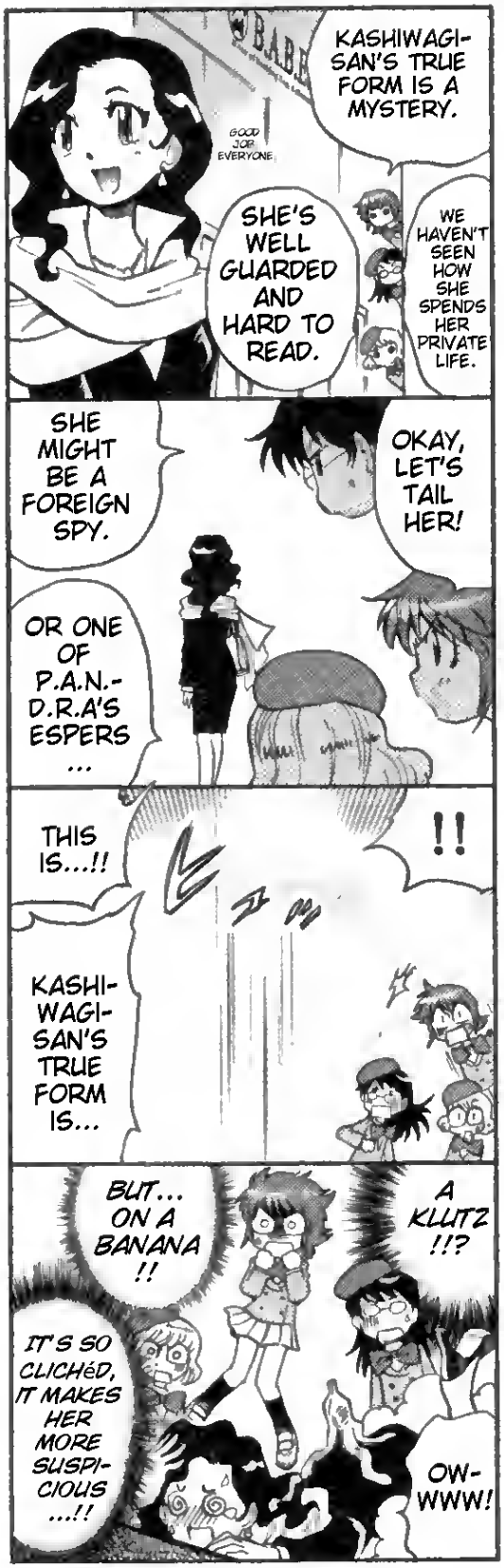
WHAT MY TELEPATHY'S TELLING ME IS CONFUSING ...
ARE YOU HAPPY OR PISSED OFF?
WHAT ARE YOU SMILING ABOUT, MAJOR.
YOU PER-VERT.
...SHUT UP! IT'S NOTHING!!

Ministry of Defense
AS I WAS CONCEN-TRATING ON PILOTING THE TRANSPORT PLANE ...
I DID NOT HEAR WHAT LIEUTENANT MINAMOTO WAS TELLING ME!
THE DECISION TO HIJACK THE NEW FIGHTER CRAFT...
WAS LIEUTENANT MINAMOTO'S JUDGMENT AND I HAD NO PART IN IT!!
WELL, THAT'S TRUE, BUT...
SO YOU'RE SAYING ...

HEY, WAKE UP, DIRECTOR!!
I HAD NO CHOICE AT THE TIME...
WHAT? WHAT'S GOING ON!? DIDN'T I PROTECT EVERYONE!?
THAT HE HAS TO PAY FOR THE DESTROYED JET HIMSELF...?
IT'LL BE FINE. MINAMOTO IS TOUGH. HE CAN WORK OFF THE 10 BILLION.
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MUCH THOSE COST!?

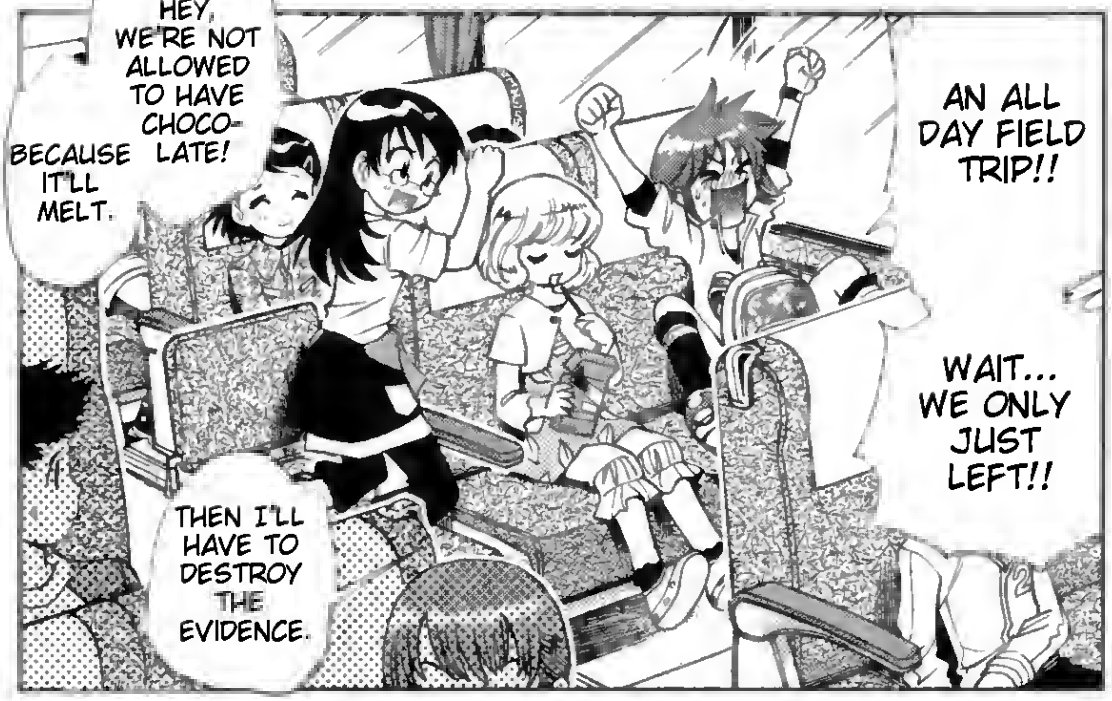

ISN'T THIS A TYPE OF BOND?
WHAT A FOOL.
AFTER ALL THE TALK OF FRIENDSHIP AND BONDS...
HOW COULD YOU DO THIS!?

DON'T TOY WITH PEOPLE'S LIVES!!
NEW!! F22 RAPTOR
SPECIAL PRICE $99million
NOW YOU'LL BE WITH US FOREVER. ♡
Due to his 10 billion yen debt, he is pretty much the government's property.
Mina-moto Kouichi (21).


KASHIWAGI-SAN'S TRUE FORM IS A MYSTERY.
GOOD JOB EVERYONE.
SHE'S WELL GUARDED AND HARD TO READ.
WE HAVEN'T SEEN HOW SHE SPENDS HER PRIVATE LIFE.
SHE MIGHT BE A FOREIGN SPY.
OKAY, LET'S TAIL HER!
OR ONE OF P.A.N.-D.R.A'S ESPERS ...
THIS IS...!!
!!
KASHI-WAGI-SAN'S TRUE FORM IS...
BUT... ON A BANANA !!
A KLUTZ !!?
IT'S SO CLICHéD, IT MAKES HER MORE SUSPI-CIOUS ...!!
OW-WWW!

The man who dotes upon the precious Level 7 Espers of "The Children".
Kiritsubo Taizou (54) Chief of B.A.B.E.L.
IS THIS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION?
SHORTS ARE BORING.
ABOUT THE SCHOOL PE UNI-FORMS.
I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED YOU TO DO.
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, DO AS I SAY.
I WISH THERE WAS A HOT SPRING IN THE SHOWER ROOM...
I WANT FRENCH FOOD IN THE B.A.B.E.L. DINING HALL.
NO. WE NEED THIS NOW.
"THAT KIND OF THING"!? "THAT KIND"!?
YOU CAN'T USE TAXES AND POLITICAL AUTHORITY FOR THAT KIND OF THING.
THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS COUNTRY MORE IMPORTANT THAN THOSE GIRLS!!!
...OW OW OW OW OW!!

SO EVERY-ONE HAD BEEN EXTREMELY EXCITED ALL DAY.
THAT WAS THE DAY OF THE SCHOOL FIELD TRIP.
To protect her idenity, her voice has been changed.


HEY, WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE CHOCO-LATE!
BECAUSE IT'LL MELT.
AN ALL DAY FIELD TRIP!!
WAIT... WE ONLY JUST LEFT!!
THEN I'LL HAVE TO DESTROY THE EVIDENCE.

I NEVER THOUGHT ...
THEY LOOKED LIKE THEY WERE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS.
AKASHI-SAN AND THE OTHER TWO SEEMED IN ESPECIALLY HIGH SPIRITS.

9th sense. ランチをめぐる冒険(1)

The Lunch Incident (1)
THAT IT WOULD TURN OUT LIKE IT DID...
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ランチをめぐる冒険(1)

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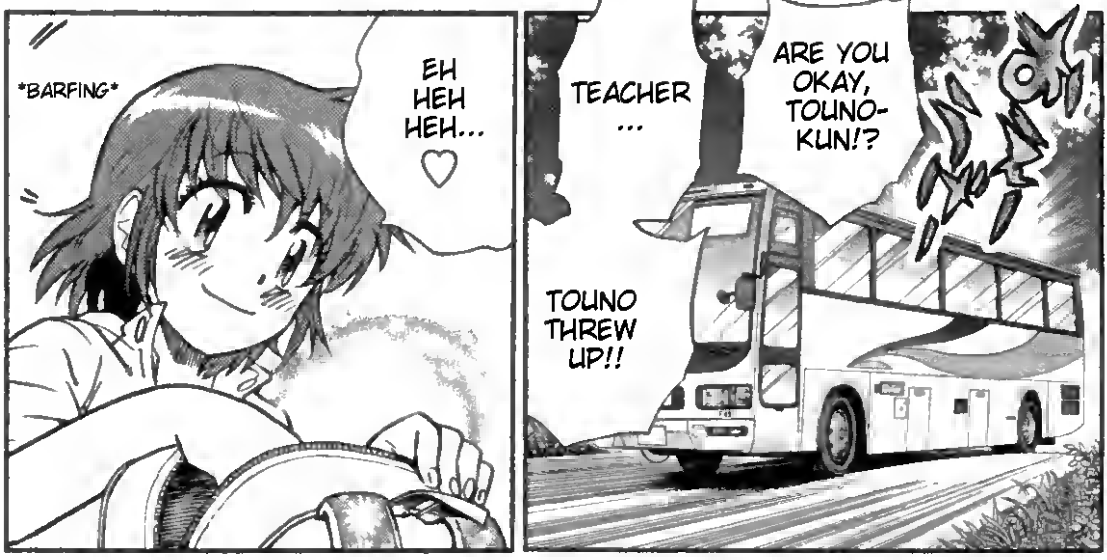

IT'S STILL WARM.
THE LUNCH MINAMOTO MADE...
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU DONE THAT TODAY?
YOU MIGHT BE DISAPPOINTED WHEN YOU OPEN IT.
THERE MIGHT JUST BE RICE WITH A LETTER TELLING YOU TO BUY THE REST.
UMM...
LET'S SEE IF I'VE GOT THIS RIGHT.

I DON'T WANT SUPER-MARKET BREAD.
SHIHO WANTS "A WONDERFUL SANDWICH".
I WANT LOTS OF ENERGY PUT INTO THE INGRE-DIENTS AND THE BREAD.
AOI WANTS "RICE AND COLORFUL THINGS".
WERE ALWAYS FULL OF BROWN THINGS.
MY MOM'S LUNCHES...
I WANT...
SOMETHING AMAZING!!
AND...
KAORU WANTS ...
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IT SHOULD BE SOME-THING I'LL REMEMBER FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!!
IS THIS WHAT THEY CALL TRAUMA?
Ajikko
AND YOUR BACK-GROUND WILL CHANGE TO OUTER SPACE!
EAT ONE BITE AND BEAMS WILL COME OUT OF YOUR MOUTH!

HOW MANY YEARS DO YOU THINK I'D HAVE TO TRAIN BEFORE I COULD MAKE THAT!?
WELL THAT'S WHAT I WANT!!
IT MEANS "A WOUND OF THE HEART".
TRAUMA ISN'T A GOOD THING.
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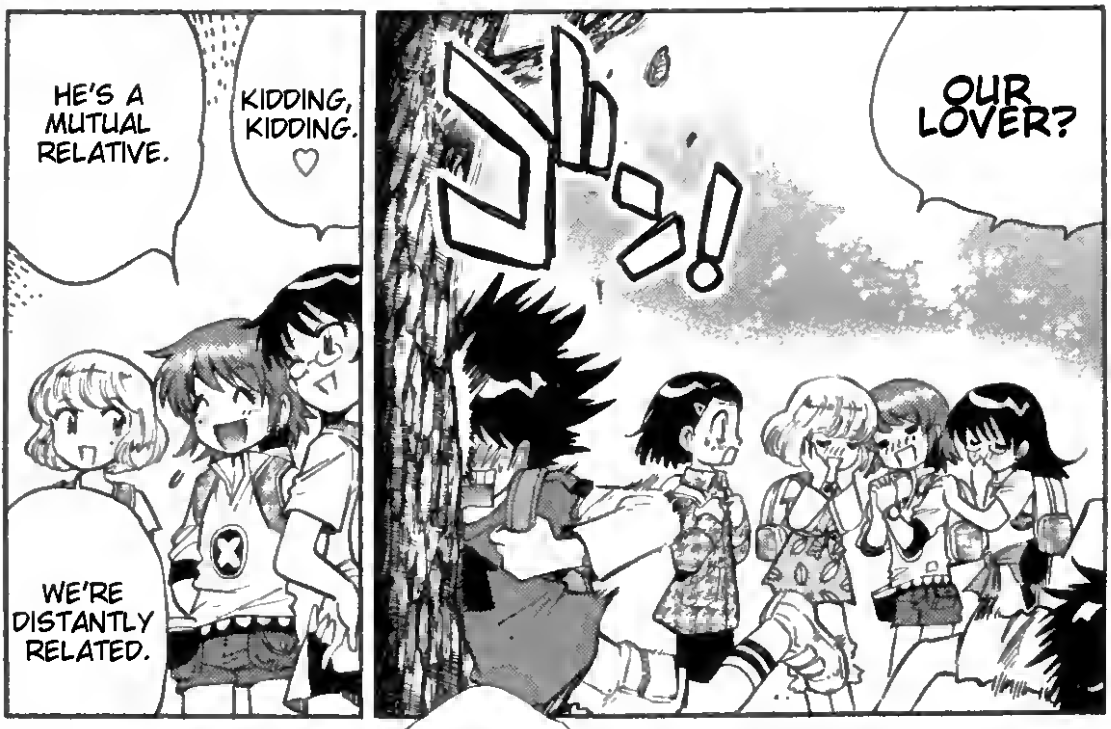
EHHH!?
I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE A NORMAL LUNCH. SO DON'T COMPLAIN AND EAT IT!
YOU SAID PRETTY MUCH WHAT I THOUGHT YOU WOULD.
THAT'S ENOUGH.
I DON'T WANT SOME-THING NORMAL!!
IT WAS ALWAYS SOMETHING MADE BY A RESTAU-RANT.
I'VE NEVER HAD A HOME-MADE LUNCH BOX BEFORE!!
MY MOM'S AN ACTRESS SO SHE DOESN'T HAVE ANY NORMAL LIFE SKILLS.
I DON'T WANT BROWN THINGS...
HUH?
THEN ISN'T SOMETHING NORMAL PERFECT!?
THAT'S RIGHT. DEVOTE ALL YOUR ENERGY TO THIS.

I DON'T THINK SHE'S KIDDING.
...ISN'T THAT USUALLY SAID TO BE HUNGER OR LOVE?
THE MENTAL AGONY OF ATTEMPTING AN UNREASONABLE TASK...
IS THE MOST DELICIOUS SPICE.
IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD THE LIFEBLOOD OF HUMANS...?

OHH.
MINAMOTO-SAN'S THE GUY WHO SOMETIMES COMES TO PICK YOU UP, RIGHT?
THE ONE WHO WEARS GLASSES ...
WHAT'S YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM?
HMMM ...


HE'S A MUTUAL RELATIVE.
KIDDING, KIDDING. ♡
WE'RE DISTANTLY RELATED.
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OUR LOVER?

THEY... THEY SEEM TO BE SERIOUS ...!?
BUT FOR NOW, WE'RE STILL MINORS.
THERE'S A CHANCE HE'LL JOIN OUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY IN THE FUTURE THOUGH.

HE'S AN ELITE GENIUS.
HE'S SMART, ISN'T HE?
AND HE'S GOOD AT SPORTS.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S ONLY SAID HELLO TO ME...
HE SEEMS LIKE A REALLY NICE PERSON ...

HE'S THE TYPE I WISH WOULD JUST HURRY UP AND DIE.
AH, I SEE...
HEY, YOU'RE GETTING IN THE WAY OF MY WORK.
HOW CAN YOU DRINK THIS BITTER STUFF, ONII-CHAN?
I HAD AN OLDER BROTHER LIKE THAT. ♡
HOW NICE...
I WISH ...
WHAT?

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YES, LET'S KILL HIM WITH OUR HATRED.
NO, LET'S JUST KILL HIM NOW.

AND THAT'S WHEN IT...
THAT IS TO SAY, THE ACCIDENT HAPPENED.

I'LL LET YOU HAVE SOME OF THE LOVE-FILLED LUNCH HE MADE, CHISATO-CHAN!
AND HE'S GOOD AT COOKING. ♡
REALLY !?
KYAAH, I CAN'T WAIT...!!

IT'S NOT LIKE I HAD ANY ILL WILL OR ANYTHING ...!!
IT TRULY WAS AN ACCIDENT ...

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IT'S MINE NOW!! ...JUST KIDDING.
EH?
HA HA!!

NO-
OOOO!!
E...
EEEE!?
!!

AH...

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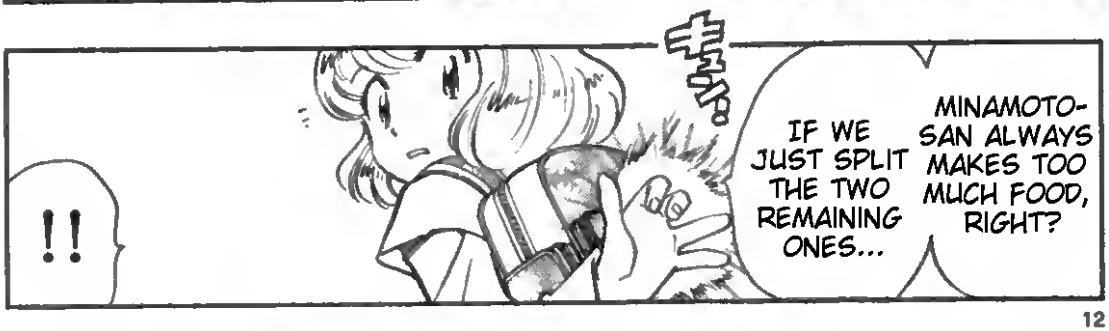
!

WE CAN'T LET THE OTHERS SEE OUR POWERS.
AND THEY'D FIND IT STRANGE IF YOU CAME BACK IMME-DIATELY ...
IT'D ONLY TAKE A SECOND.
SHOULD I GO GET IT?
GYAAAH!!
MY LU...
Y-
YOU...
Y-YOU'RE THE ONE WHO MADE ME DROP IT...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IF WE JUST SPLIT THE TWO REMAINING ONES...
MINAMOTO-SAN ALWAYS MAKES TOO MUCH FOOD, RIGHT?

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LET ME CHECK YOURS ...
IT COULDN'T BE, BUT...
EH?
EH?
A BAGEL SAND-WICH!?

...KAORU-CHAN,
YOU'RE IN TROUBLE.
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WHAAAAT !?
MINAMOTO-SAN ACTUALLY MADE THREE DIFFERENT LUNCHES.
EVEN THOUGH ...
HE SAID IT WOULD BE TOO MUCH TROUBLE ...
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KAORU-CHAN'LL BE FINE.
WAIT...
THAT'S DANGER-OUS.
BUT...
I'LL CATCH UP WITH YOU, SO GO ON AHEAD!!
I'M GOING TO GET IT!!
OKAY.
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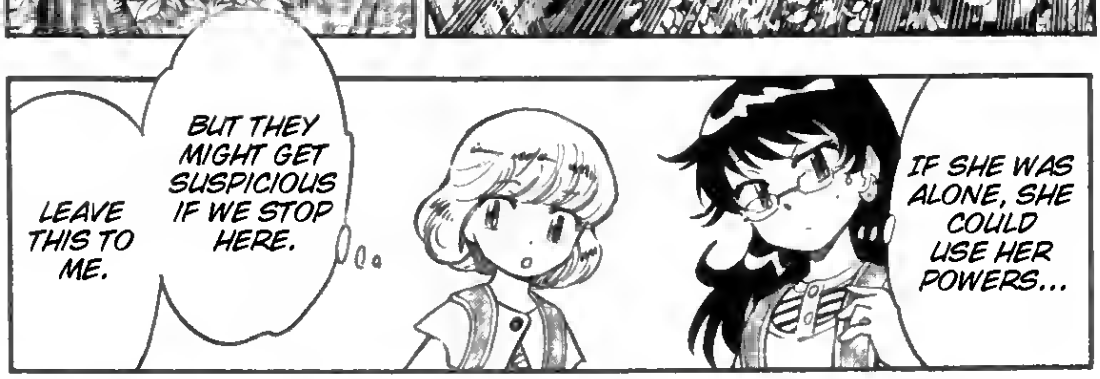
IF WE'RE LATE, MAKE SURE THE TEACHER DOESN'T FIND OUT!
TOUNO-KUN!?
I'LL GO WITH YOU.
WAIT, AKASHI!!


LEAVE THIS TO ME.
BUT THEY MIGHT GET SUSPICIOUS IF WE STOP HERE.
IF SHE WAS ALONE, SHE COULD USE HER POWERS...

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KAORU'S THERE, SO WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT BEARS OR A LANDSLIDE.
IT'LL BE FINE.
EH? BUT...
WE CAN WAIT FOR THEM AT THE PEAK, CHISATO-CHAN.

I THOUGHT WE'D FIND THE LUNCH RIGHT OFF THE BAT.
BUT FOR SOME REASON...
WE JUST COULDN'T FIND IT.

HEY, LET'S JUST GIVE UP AND GO BACK.
THE TEACHER'S GONNA BE MAD AT US.
WHY CAN'T WE FIND IT?
HUH?
THIS IS WEIRD ...

I'LL KEEP LOOKING FOR A BIT LONGER.
JUST DO IT!
NO.
YOU CAN LEAVE WITHOUT ME.
C'MON, I'LL GIVE YOU MY LUNCH.
YOU KNOW I CAN'T DO THAT.
THIS WOULD GO FASTER IF HE'D LEAVE.
BUT IT'S TRUE THAT AN ANGRY CHISATO-CHAN WOULD BE SCARY.
BUT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO YOU, I'LL BE TRAU-MATIZED FOR LIFE.
AND CHISATO WOULD KILL ME.
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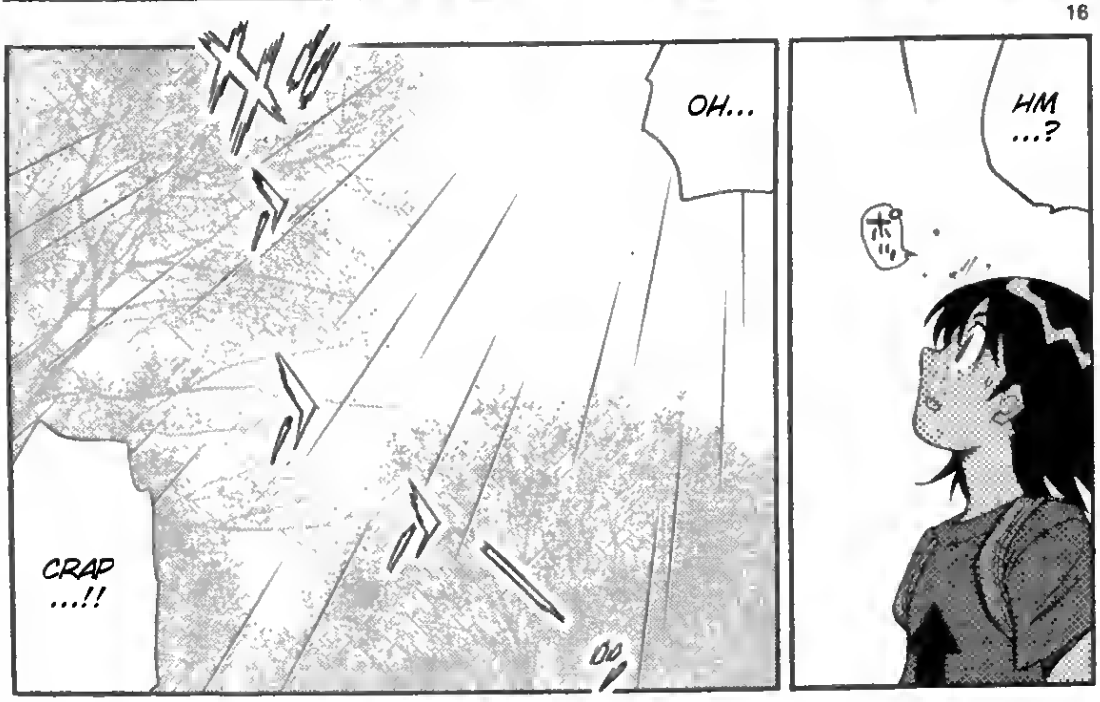
OH...
CRAP ...!!
HM ...?

IT WAS AT THAT TIME...
THAT I FIRST THOUGHT THAT THIS COULD END BADLY.
BUT BY THAT POINT...
WE COULDN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.
KAORU-CHAN...!!
THIS IS... BAD.
高毛山山頂
Signpost : Mt. Takage Summit
I CAN'T TELEPORT THROUGH THE RAIN...!!
THOSE TWO ARE SOAKING WET AND ALONE TOGETHER ...!?

I'VE COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN.
HM
HOW I FIRST MET HYOUBU KYOUSUKE?
PLEASE THINK OF ME AS YOUR BIG SISTER.
IS THIS THE BOY WITH PARANORMAL POWERS THAT FATHER HAS TAKEN IN?
MY, HOW CUTE
N-NICE TO MEET YOU.
AH!?
OW!! IT HURTS!!
LITTLE BROTHERS SHOULD BE COMPLETELY OBEDIENT TO THEIR BIG SISTERS!
IF YOU DISOBEY ME, I'LL KILL YOU.
HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH...
HOW I MET FUJIKO-SAN...?
I DON'T WANT TO REMEMBER!!

OKAY, LET'S OPERATE!!
THE PATIENT IS A 20 YEAR OLD WOMAN!
SHE'S IN CRITICAL CONDITION FROM A BULLET TO THE HEAD!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE HAD AN OPERATION ONLY I COULD DO!!
WE NEED TO REMOVE THE BULLET WITHOUT DAMAGING HER BRAIN ANY FURTHER!
Sakaki Shuuji (23)
Doctor - Psychometer
FIRST I READ HER TO GET AS MUCH INFORMATION ABOUT THE AFFECTED PART AS POSSIBLE!!
AND THEN...
YOU'RE NOT NEEDED HERE DOCTOR.
I HAVE A TELEPORTER REMOVE THE BULLET!!
AND A PSYCHOKINETIC STOPS THE BLEEDING!!

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The Lunch Incident (2)

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...THE DOOR HAS AN ELEC-TRONIC LOCK.
WE WON'T BE ABLE TO OPEN IT.
AND I CAN'T JUST BLOW THROUGH IT WITH TOUNO HERE...

IS IT FOR WATER STORAGE OR SOME-THING?
IT LOOKS LIKE SOME KIND OF FACILITY, BUT...

AND I DON'T THINK WE CAN CLIMB BACK UP...!!
THAT VENT SHOULD REALLY HAVE A FENCE AROUND IT OR SOMETHING.

I CAN'T DO ANY-THING...
...I'M TIRED.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, AKASHI ...!?

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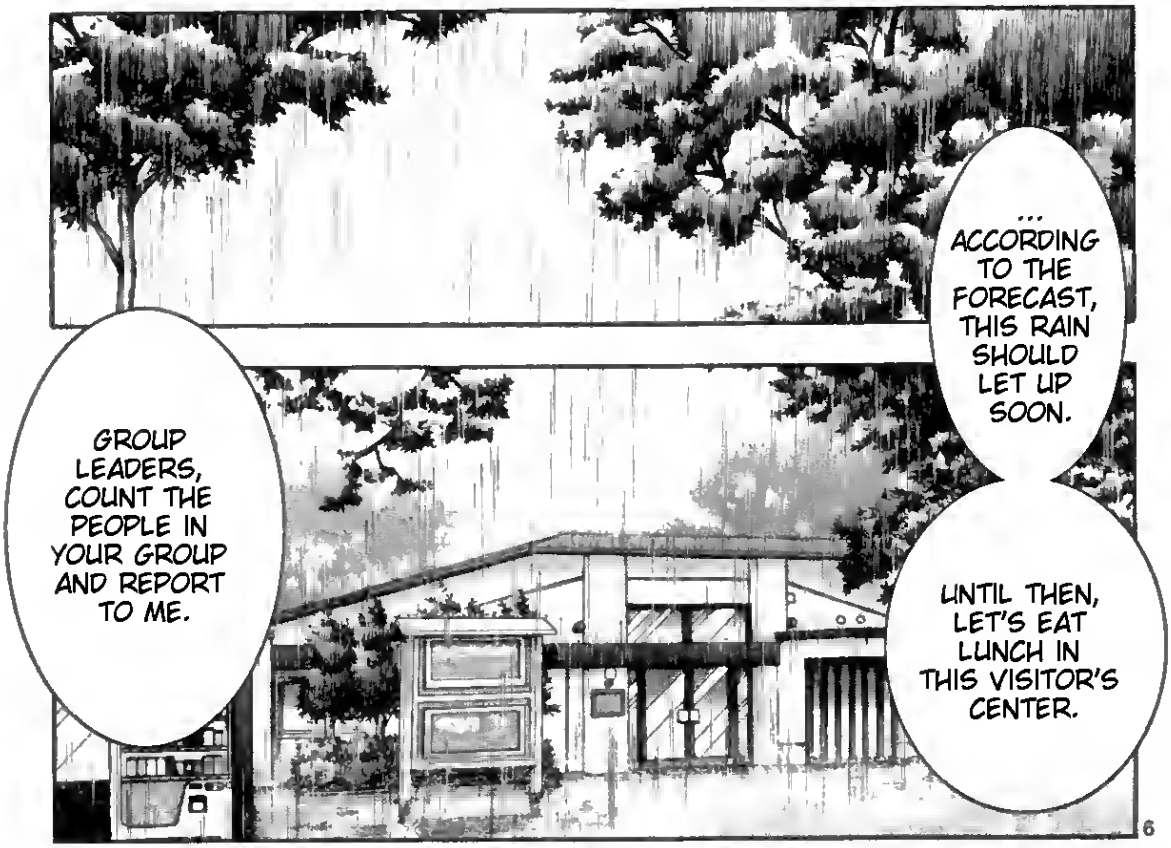
Sorry!!
I overslept...!!
Buy something
to eat at a store.
Love, Mom.

MOM ...
I'M SO VERY COLD.
I WISH I HADN'T GONE ON THIS TRIP...
NO, I WISH I HADN'T EVEN BEEN BORN...


... ACCORDING TO THE FORECAST, THIS RAIN SHOULD LET UP SOON.
GROUP LEADERS, COUNT THE PEOPLE IN YOUR GROUP AND REPORT TO ME.
UNTIL THEN, LET'S EAT LUNCH IN THIS VISITOR'S CENTER.

WELCOME BACK, GROUP LEADER.
I SAID THAT WE WERE ALL HERE...
BUT IS THIS REALLY OKAY?
THOSE TWO COULD'VE GOTTEN LOST OR HURT...
RIGHT?
THEY'RE FINE!
IF THE TEACHER FINDS OUT THEY WENT OFF ON THEIR OWN, WE WON'T HEAR THE END OF IT FROM MINAMOTO-HAN...
SHIHO?
RIGHT, SHIHO?
?
.....
AOI-CHAN...
WHEN IT STOPS RAINING, THE TWO OF US SHOULD GO AFTER THEM.
EH, BUT...
I CAN'T TELEPORT IN FRONT OF TOUNO...
I'LL JUST KNOCK HIM OUT WITH THIS.

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
...NOTHING.
Y-YEAH. YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW.
EH?
I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO CONNECT WITH KAORU-CHAN FOR A BIT NOW.
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WHAT DO THEY MEAN I DON'T NEED TO KNOW?
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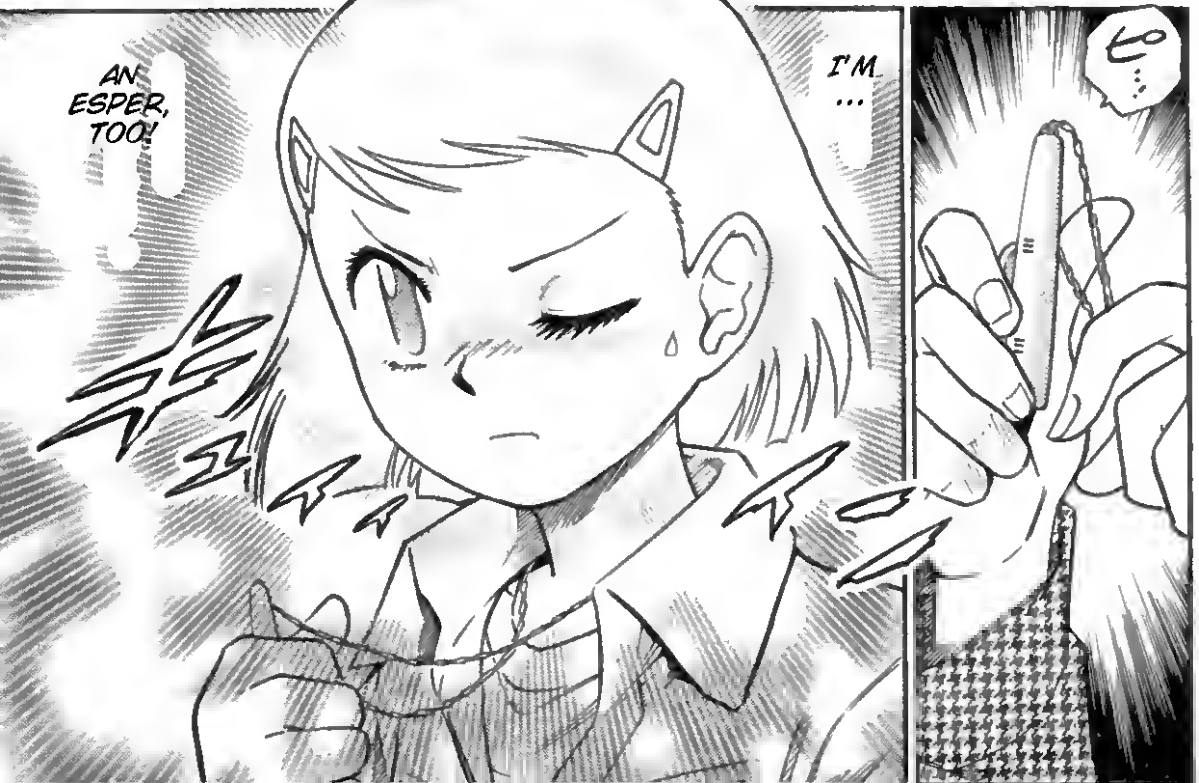
B-BUT I'M THE GROUP LEADER. I'M THE ONE RESPONSIBLE.


AN ESPER, TOO!
I'M...
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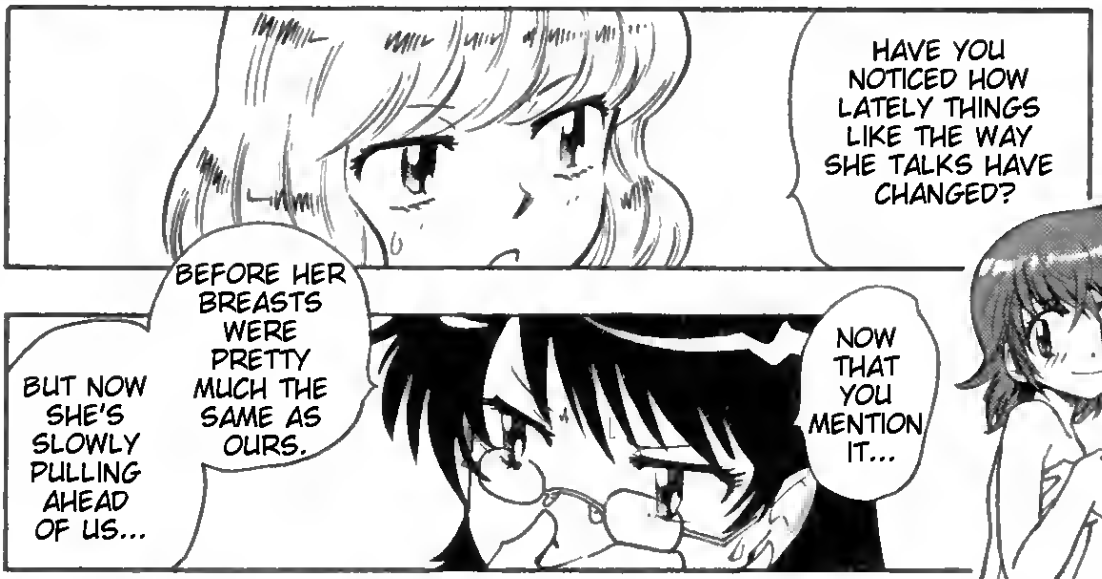
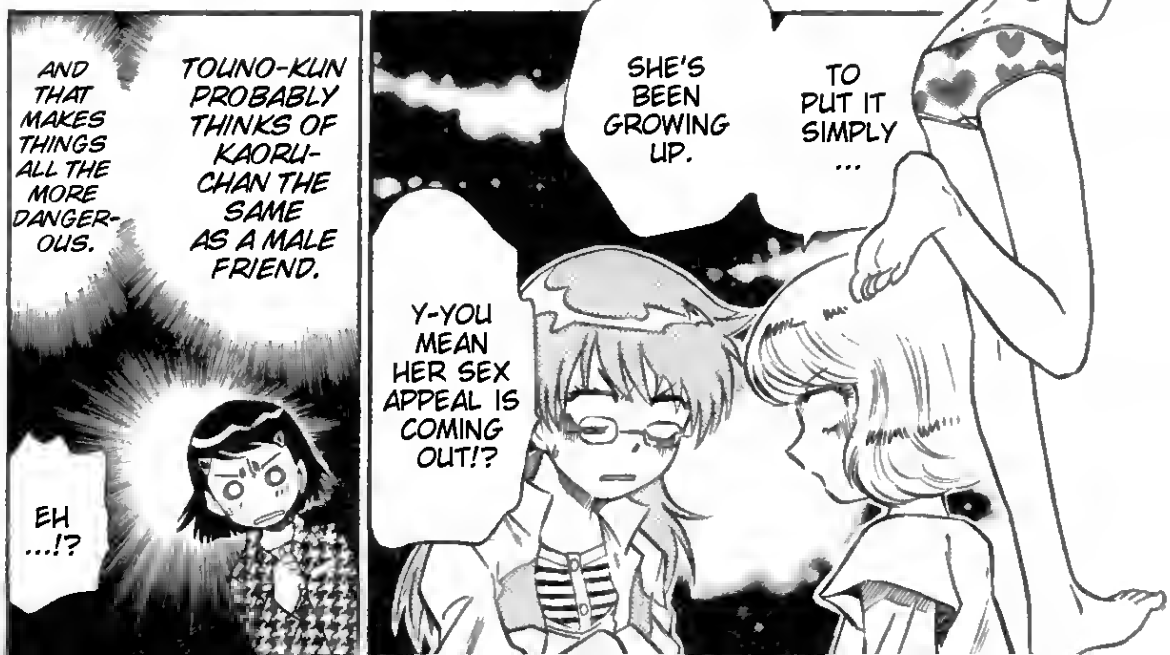
THERE ARE NO ABSOLUTES IN HUMAN RELATION-SHIPS.
ABOUT KAORU-CHAN...
B-BUT...
IT'S NOT LIKE ANYTHING WOULD HAPPEN BETWEEN KAORU AND TOUNO, RIGHT!?


HAVE YOU NOTICED HOW LATELY THINGS LIKE THE WAY SHE TALKS HAVE CHANGED?
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
BEFORE HER BREASTS WERE PRETTY MUCH THE SAME AS OURS.
BUT NOW SHE'S SLOWLY PULLING AHEAD OF US...


TO PUT IT SIMPLY ...
SHE'S BEEN GROWING UP.
Y-YOU MEAN HER SEX APPEAL IS COMING OUT!?
TOUNO-KUN PROBABLY THINKS OF KAORU-CHAN THE SAME AS A MALE FRIEND.
AND THAT MAKES THINGS ALL THE MORE DANGER-OUS.
EH ...!?

IF KAORU-CHAN ALL OF A SUDDEN STARTS SEEMING LIKE A WOMAN...
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ビキ
THAT SURPRISE AND CONFUSION WILL MAKE THE EFFECT GREATER THAN USUAL.

NOTHING ...
AH... NO...
WH-WHAT?
.....!!
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ARE YOU COLD?
PERVERT ...!?
DON'T BE STUPID!! I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING TOWARDS YOU!!
WH-WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU.
YOU PERVERT!

AND THEN KAORU-CHAN WILL REALIZE IT TOO!! REALIZE THAT SHE'S A GIRL!!!
YEAH ...
DON'T HOLD BACK!
B-BECAUSE I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING TOWARDS YOU!
W-WAIT A SECOND!
THAT WON'T HAPPEN! AND IF I KNOW THAT WON'T HAPPEN, WHY ARE YOU SO CONVINCING!?

KYAH...
CH-CHISATO-CHAN!?
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HER ALPHABET HAS CHANGED!?
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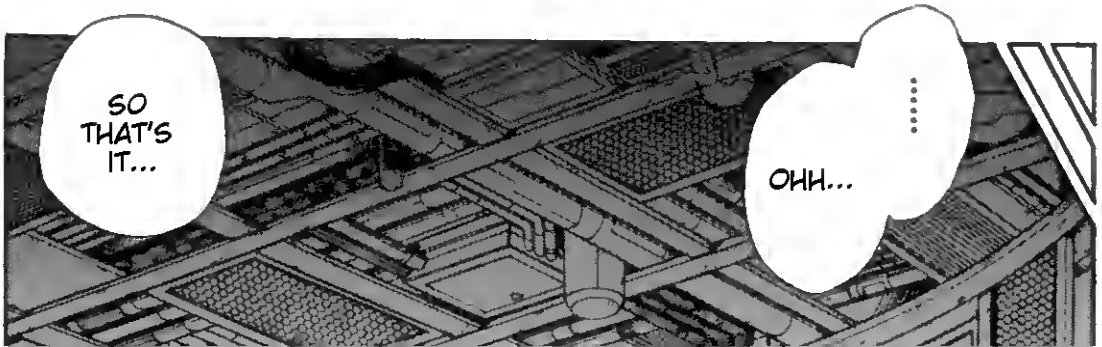
OF COURSE THAT WON'T HAPPEN !!?


SO THAT'S IT...
OHH...

SO YOU'RE MOM SUCKS AT COOKING.
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT WAS YOUR FIRST HOME-MADE LUNCH BOX.
YEAH.
BUT YOU REALLY LIKE...
THAT MINAMOTO GUY, DON'T YOU?
.....!!
.....
YEAH.
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I COULDN'T HELP BUT GET EXCITED...
AND SINCE HE SPOILED ME TODAY...
THE SAME WITH SHIHO AND AOI.
OHH...
EH!?
HOW ABOUT YOU?
NO, NOT REALLY...
YOU REALLY LIKE CHISATO-CHAN, DON'T YOU?
...I WONDER ABOUT THAT.

WHEN SHE USED TELEPATHY ON ME.
TO SAY I'M SORRY FOR GETTING SO MAD.
BUT...
I DO WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR THAT TIME...

I CAN'T JUST SAY IT.
IT'S TOO EMBAR-RASSING!
I'M SURE SHE'D BE DELIGHTED.
THEN JUST SAY IT.

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BECAUSE I SAID SO!!
WHY?
DON'T GET EMBAR-RASSED NOW.
.....
HOW ABOUT IF YOU DON'T TELL HER...
IT'S FINE!! JUST SAY IT, JUST SAY IT!!
I'LL DO IT FOR YOU?
NO, PLEASE DON'T DO THAT!

...THERE IS A LARGE BUILDING BURIED DOWN THERE.
BELOW GROUND ...!?
DIG!! HURRY!!
WHAT COULD IT BE?
THEY'RE DOWN HERE!? I CAN WEAKLY HEAR THEIR THOUGHT WAVES!!

!!?
WHAT!?

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H-HUH?
CHISATO ...!?
TOUNO-KUN!?
KAORU-CHAN!!

EVERY ONE OF THEM TOOK A VACATION OR SICK DAY TO AVOID MY ORDERS...!!
GEEZ, YOUNG PEOPLE THESE DAYS!!
AAAH!?
びくっ!!
KEEPING WATCH ON OUR COUNTRY'S TREASURE IS ALWAYS NECESSARY !!
A FIELD TRIP IS NO EXCEPTION ...
NO, THIS IS...!!
WHAT IS THIS!? A SECRET B.A.B.E.L. BASE!?
CHIEF!?
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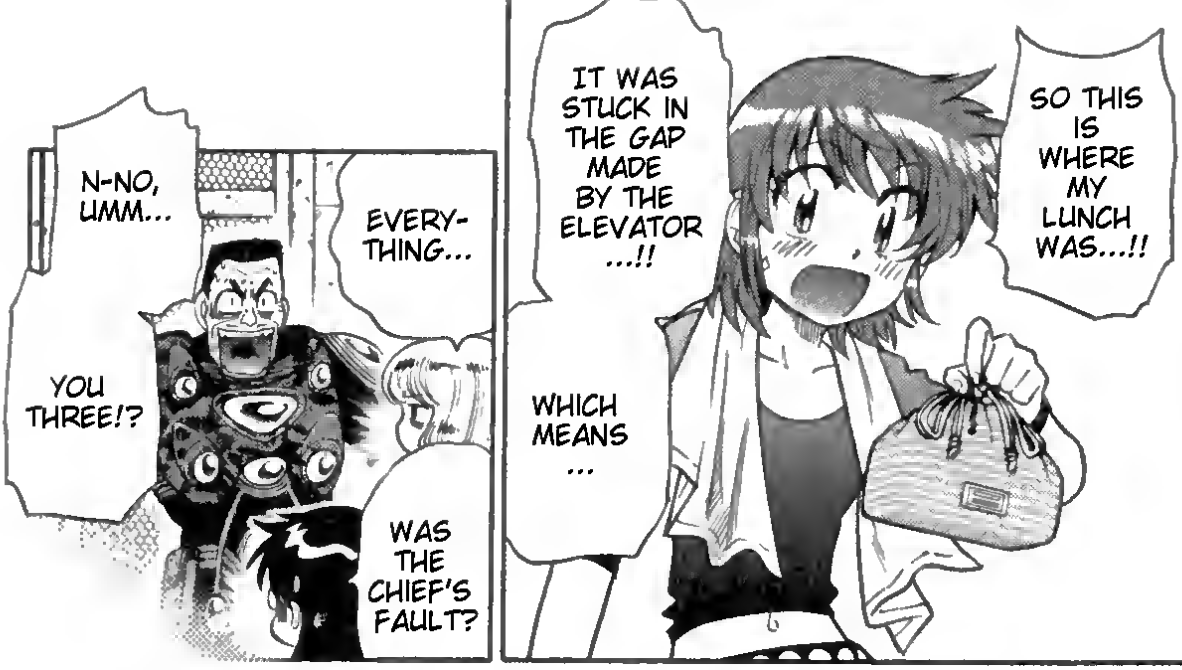
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?
N-NO, NOT AT ALL!
DID YOU... MAKE THIS JUST FOR TODAY ...?


SO THIS IS WHERE MY LUNCH WAS...!!
IT WAS STUCK IN THE GAP MADE BY THE ELEVATOR ...!!
WHICH MEANS ...
EVERY-THING...
N-NO, UMM...
YOU THREE!?
WAS THE CHIEF'S FAULT?

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT WHEN IT WAS ALL YOUR FAULT!!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I DON'T KNOW!!
PLEASE KEEP THIS FACILITY A SECRET ...
OKAY ...
AREN'T YOU GLAD, KAORU-CHAN?
EH HEH HEH...
ゆたぜ ねくい

——絶対可憐チルドレン12・完——

On rice: Don't act spoiled.

絶対可憐チルドレン⑫

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OMAKE.

FROM NOW ON, YOU TWO WILL BE WORKING HERE.
OKAY THEN...
B.A.B.E.L.
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TCH.
THIS IS ONE PART OF YOUR REHABILITATION.
SO GIVE IT YOUR ALL.
AND THIS IS HOW I'M GONNA LIVE?
I DON'T KNOW ANYONE...
WHY DO I HAVE TO DO THIS?
I ATTACKED THE AMBUSHING ENEMY'S MACHINE GUN!!
AND AT THAT TIME!!
THEY'RE OVER THERE, MISSTR... YOUNG LA... DIRECTOR!
HOW ARE THEY DOING?
SO?
A few days later.

HERE.
I FIXED IT!
AND ALL WE HAD WERE OLD 38'S...
EXACTLY!
THE TYPE 38 RIFLE!! HOW WERE THEY!?
WAS IT A BROWNING M2!?
CHILD-LIKE MINDS ARE THE SAME NO MATTER THE GENERATION.
IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING WELL.
IT'S A "BUTTON EAR*" FROM BEFORE THE WAR. IT'S QUITE VALUABLE!!
GEEZ, YOU NEED TO TAKE BETTER CARE OF IT!
OH...!
IT'S EXACTLY LIKE IT WAS WHEN MY FATHER GOT IT IN GERMANY ...!

* A teddy bear made by the German "Steiff Company". The ones with a tag in the ear were called that.

After that, the two of them became huge fans of a certain anime and without the other knowing, met online and became friends
And that's where Volume 13 comes in

SO YOU'RE ...!
I'LL ALWAYS BE WITH YOU, MY LADY!!
AND SINCE OTAKU CAN ONLY COME FROM A PEACEFUL SOCIETY, WE SHOULD WELCOME THEM!!
TO BE COMPLETELY HONEST, I THINK CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES AND ELDERLY WELFARE SERVICES SHOULD BE THE SAME!!
EH!?
YOU'RE "CHIL CHIL IS MY WIFE" -SAN!?
THE END.